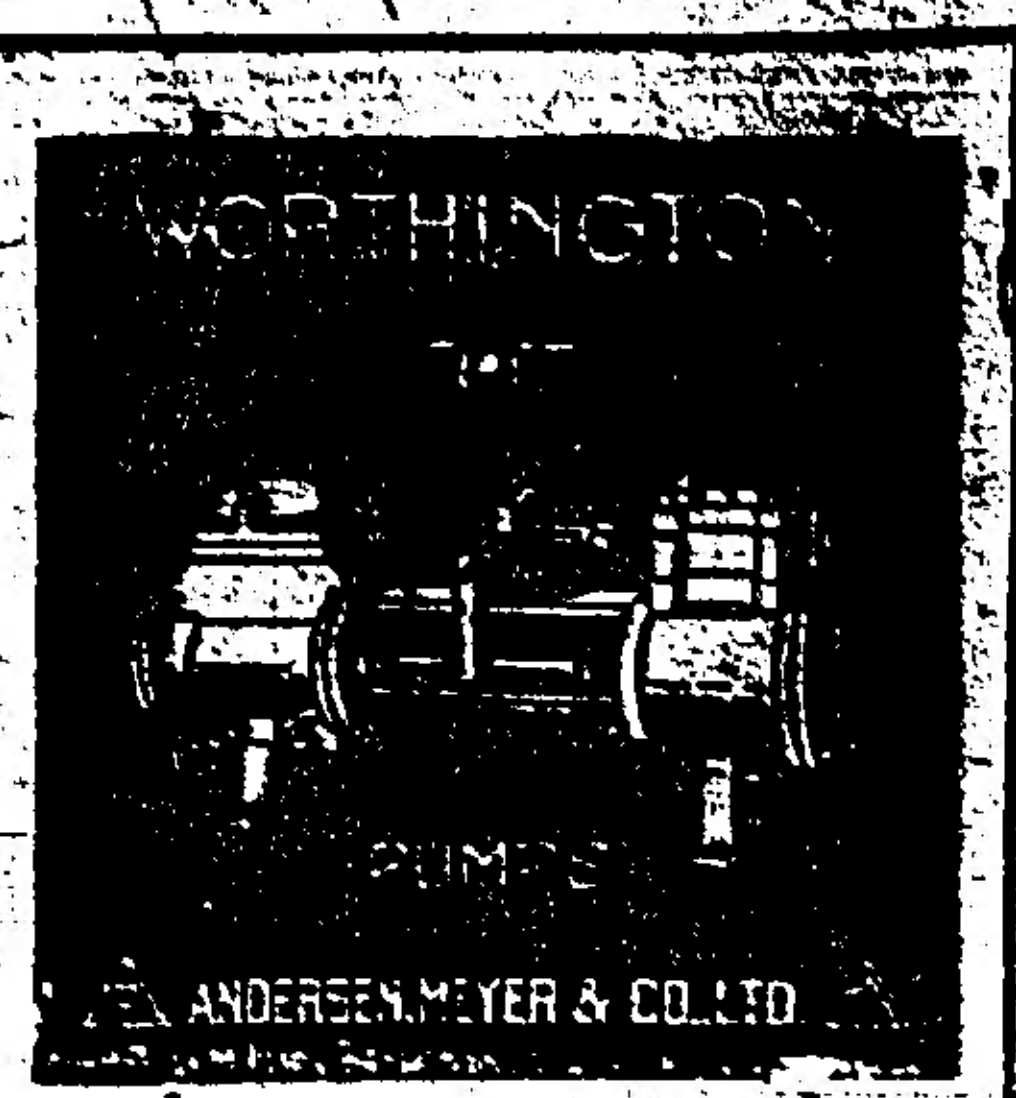


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ALLIES AND RUSSO-GERMAN TREATY.

Reported French Stipulation.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, April 18.
The Cabinet considered the situation created by the Russo-German agreement and decided that France would only leave Genoa with the rest of the Allies.
A French semi-official telegram from Genoa says that, as a condition of remaining at the conference, France will ask the Allies to insist upon the annulment of the Russo-German agreement on the ground that it violates the Treaty of Versailles.
Meetings of the commissions at Genoa have been suspended pending the decision at the meeting of the Allied delegates and experts, to which the Little Entente representatives, including Dr. Benes, have been invited at the instance of M. Barthou.

How French Organs View the Treaty.

Paris, April 18.
The Russo-German agreement, which the *Echo de Paris* describes as the most important event since the Armistice, is generally regarded by the French Press as proving the uselessness of the continuance of the Genoa conference.
The *Journal* says: "We should congratulate ourselves upon this alliance of conquered countries thirsting for revenge, for it will restore the balance of the Western alliance."
The *Gaulois* says it is preferable that the steadily-growing abyss should burst, and urges the Entente completely to change its front and punish the audacious and disloyal nations.
The *Petit Journal* says that the only thing lacking is a military convention, which may still come at any moment.
The *Figaro* wonders how the German challenge will be regarded by Britain and Italy, while the *Socialist Populaire* declares the position of Britain and Italy critical as the result of "this German victory."

Varying U. S. Press Comment.

New York, April 18.
Commenting upon the Russo-German treaty, the *New York World* refuses to believe that a Russo-German bloc, which was a favorite nightmare for years, has been effected, and declares that Germany is unable to supply the capital necessary for Russia's regeneration.
The *Tribune* says that Russia and Germany are both seeking to get rid of their debts, and have taken this method of exciting Western fears, but, with the precarious Russian credit, the alliance is either a fiction or a fraud.
The *Herald* says that co-operation between outcast Russia and excommunicated Germany was long inevitable.

Breach of Preliminary Conditions Disqualifies Germany.

Genoa, April 18.
The Allies and the Little Entente have jointly sent a letter to the German delegation declaring that the conclusion of the Russo-German treaty while the conference is in session violates the conditions to which Germany pledged herself on entering the conference. Germany has therefore renounced further participation in the discussion of the conditions of agreement between Russia and the other countries at the conference.

Will More Drastic Action be Taken?

Genoa, April 18.
The Villa Raggio, where the Allied delegates are discussing the latest development, has been a day-long centre of interest.
A hundred journalists who twice responded to an invitation to attend to hear the result of the deliberations returned empty-handed. The unexpected prolonged session has created a belief that even more drastic action is being contemplated than that contained in the letter which was published late in the evening. The letter, however, is couched in unequivocal terms, recalling Dr. Wirth's promise last week to co-operate with the other Powers for the solution of outstanding Russian questions, and pointing out that the Germans have replied to the Allies' offer of goodwill and fellowship with an act which destroys the spirit of mutual confidence, having concluded a secret treaty behind the backs of their colleagues—a treaty which violated some of the principles on which the conference is based.
The upshot of the Allies' action is that while the Germans are permitted to enter the general discussions, they are not allowed to participate in any committee dealing with Russia. The most unfortunate aspect, which is likely to overshadow the remainder of the session and of the conference, is that anti-German and anti-Russian suspicion, notably on the part of France, will be considerably strengthened, impairing the atmosphere of harmony on which hopes of the conference have been largely based.

THE PRINCE IN JAPAN.

Visit to Peace Exposition.

Tokyo, April 18.
The Prince of Wales spent this morning in visiting the Peace Exposition at Ueno, the largest exhibition ever held in Japan. It was opened a month ago. The buildings were gay with red, white and blue floral designs and housed specimens of products from all countries.
After lunching at the Imperial Palace, the Prince witnessed a game of Japanese polo played by the staff of the Imperial Mews. He dined with the Foreign Minister to-night.—From Sir Herbert Russell, Reuter's special correspondent.

WORLD'S SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

Paddon's Victory.

Wanganui (N.Z.), April 18.
In the world's sculling championship match, Paddon defeated Hadfield by nine lengths.
[There appears to be an inconsistency here. When Paddon met Barry, the English champion, in 1914, the latter won. Subsequently Barry was beaten by the Australian, Felton, but in the return contest the Englishman defeated Felton, thus regaining the world's championship. It may be that Barry, who has been competing for a number of years, has retired.]

TURKS MURDERED IN BERLIN.

A Double Assassination.

Berlin, April 18.
Three youths shot dead two Turks, Jemalazmy Bey, (Ex-Governor of Trebizond) and Bahadur Din Chakir (a leading member of the Committee of Union and Progress) in the West End last night. The assassins escaped; they are believed to have been Armenians. The police have offered a reward of 20,000 marks for their discovery.

THE TRUTH ABOUT OPIUM.

Making India The Scapegoat.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 18.
The India Office has issued a booklet entitled, "The Truth About Indian Opium," recounting the successful steps taken by the Government of India to restrict the production and consumption of opium in India and to regulate exports. It emphasises that India has far exceeded the demands of the Hague Convention and points out that China produces seven times as much opium as India; Persia, which remains outside the scope of the most important article of the Convention, exports 30 per cent. more than India; while Turkey, which has not signed the Convention, normally exports about the same amount as India.

The booklet says India would be thoroughly justified in refusing to agree to any modification of the terms of the Convention in the direction of greater stringency until she is convinced that such modification will lead to beneficial results. India is the only producing nation which could give practical effect to the proposal to bind the nations to restrict the production of opium to medicinal and scientific needs, which, apart from causing unimaginable sufferings in the East, would result in enormously stimulating the production of opium in Persia, China and Turkey to be exported freely all over the world. India demands to see the terms of the Convention translated into action by others, and would undoubtedly and emphatically negative any proposal aiming at suppressing Indian cultivation in order to provide a scapegoat for the rest of the world.

Limitation by Licence.

Geneva, April 18.
Germany, Switzerland, France, Britain, India, Japan, Holland and Siam will be represented at the second session of the Opium Commission, which is to be held to-morrow to deal with the proposal that the export of pernicious drugs shall only be authorised by importation licences issued by the consignee countries.

ANTI-FRENCH DISTURBANCES IN SYRIA.

Troops Regain Control of Situation.

Cairo, April 18.
Following on anti-French demonstrations at Damascus on the 17th inst., in which forty persons were arrested, crowds assembled demanding their release. They ignored warnings to disperse and were fired on by the police, with the result that two were killed and seven wounded.
After imposition of the curfew, the troops regained control of the situation. The French point out that the disturbances synchronised with the visit of Mr. Crane, ex-president of the American mission to Syria in 1919, whose utterances, though unintentionally, were calculated to arouse excitement against the French section. Mr. Crane sailed out of Beirut immediately the disorders broke out.

DISPUTE IN COTTON INDUSTRY.

Partial Settlement Reached.

London, April 18.
A partial settlement of the cotton dispute mentioned in a cable of the 12th inst. was reached at a conference of representatives of employers and cardroom operatives at Manchester, which arrived at an agreement in regard to the wages question, subject to confirmation by the other operatives' unions.
[The previous cable stated: The negotiations concerning the cotton industry in connection with the reduction of operatives' wages have broken down, and unless they are resumed 300,000 will be locked out on the 29th inst.]

SERIES OF TORNADOES IN THE U.S.

Heavy Loss of Life and Property.

Chicago, April 18.
Twenty were killed and hundreds injured in a series of tornadoes at various villages in Illinois, Indiana, and Arkansas. There was also great damage to property.

ECHO OF THE KAPP REBELLION.

Leader to be Tried.

Berlin, April 18.
Herr Kapp, the leader of the 1920 rebellion, has been arrested at Sassnitz, as he was returning from Sweden and will be tried by the Supreme Court at Leipzig.

DEATH OF IRISH PRIVY COUNCILLOR.

London, April 18.
The death has occurred of the Right Hon. Hugh Barrie, P.C., M.P., D.L.

[The deceased, who was born at Glasgow in 1860, represented N. Londonderry from 1905 as a Unionist, and was Vice-President of the Department of Agriculture (Ireland). In 1918 he was appointed High Sheriff of Derry.]

PARDON FOR LIFE-SENTENCE PRISONERS.

San Francisco, April 18.
The District Attorney has requested the Governor of California to pardon Thomas Mooney and Warren Billings, who are serving life sentences in connection with the bomb explosion in 1916.

H. C. L. DROP CONTINUES.

London, April 19.
The cost of living on the 18th inst., was 82 per cent. above the pre-war scale, compared with 86 per cent. on March 1.

(Other Telegrams on Page 3.)

BEAUMONT CASE.

Accused Again in Court.

BAIL REDUCED TO \$2,000.

The case of E. A. Beaumont, who is held on charges of defrauding proceedings that were being taken against his firm in bankruptcy by leaving the Colony on September 2, 1920, again came before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, after a week's adjournment to enable the Official Receiver to prepare his case. As the Senior Magistrate is shortly to go to the Supreme Court to act as Puisne Judge, during the absence on leave of Mr. Gompertz, the case was this morning referred to Mr. R. E. Lindsell in the small Court.

Mr. G. N. Orme, the Official Receiver, had to apply for another week's adjournment, as he was not ready to proceed.

Mr. G. N. Tinson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared to inform the Court that he was watching the case on behalf of "interested parties in Shanghai."

Mr. C.A.S. Russ, for the defence, in applying for a reduction in the amount of bail, said that he had no objection to a further adjournment, but would like to bring a few points before the consideration of the Court. When defendant was in Shanghai, bail was fixed at \$500 to ensure his appearance in Court in connection with the application for his return to this Colony, and he did not make the slightest attempt to escape although he could have done so with the many opportunities that were in his way. He showed every desire to meet those charges and appeared when called for. It was almost impossible for him (Mr. Russ) to prepare the defence unless the defendant be allowed to be at large. The business that was the subject of the present investigations was a large one, considering the fact that a turnover of no less than \$5,000,000 was recorded in 1919, with the profits standing at \$200,000. The figures for 1920 were also very big. When the crash came, defendant lost everything, and, as was usual in such cases, incurred heavy debts.

Continuing, Mr. Russ said that it was best that all cards should be put on the table. What his client did when the disaster overtook him was to go to Shanghai to raise money there, but owing to the same slump, the Banks refused to come to his rescue, and he then had to proceed to San Francisco, where he had a branch office, with the idea of securing \$100,000 which stood to the firm's credit there. He never got this money, as he had no properly stated account to render, and he was obliged to return to Shanghai to make good somehow.

Mr. Russ referred to the open-handed manner in which defendant moved about and carried on his new business in Shanghai, which is known under the style of the North China Produce and Import Company, with a registered office at No. 39, Canton Road. All that time he was within the jurisdiction of the Consular Court, and when he was arrested on the instigation of the Hongkong authorities he made no attempt to escape. The bail he was admitted into then, was \$500, and, in view of this, it was not unreasonable to ask the Court to reduce it now to \$2,000. It was very doubtful whether defendant could find more. It was necessary for the defence that he be allowed to have access to his accounts and to his witnesses. "I should like to say this," Mr. Russ added, "that at the time he left the Colony he was not exactly d-mitted in Hongkong. He had interests in other ports, and it was whilst he was away in France, as a matter of fact, that everything tumbled down in Hongkong. To prepare the defence properly I must have him out."

The Official Receiver replied that after a transaction of the amount involved, he felt that bail of the amount fixed by Mr. Wood in the other Court (namely \$5,000) was not so large that the defendant would be prevented from

COMPANY REPORT.

China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd.

The report of the above Company for the year ending 31st December, 1921, states:—
The net earnings for the past year amount to \$413,503.14 which with \$10,000.48 brought forward from the previous year gives the sum of \$423,503.62 which it is recommended be appropriated as follows:

To place to Reserve Fund.....	\$300,000.00
.. pay a bonus to Staff.....	2,831.50
.. place to Bad and Doubtful Debts Account.....	10,000.00
.. pay a Dividend of 8 per cent. or 80 cents per share, 100,000.00	
.. carry forward to the credit of next year's account.....	9,678.12
This will bring the Reserve Fund up to \$580,000.00 out of which it is proposed to pay a Bonus to Shareholders of \$250,000.00 in Scrip at the ratio of one new share for every five old shares or 25,000 shares of \$10.00 fully paid up.	

Consulting Committee.—In accordance with the Articles of Association Messrs. H. P. White, G. M. Dodwell and U. Poi On retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Linstead and Davis for Mr. F. Maitland and by Mr. H. Percy Smith, Messrs. Linstead and Davis and Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming are eligible for election.

ant would be prevented from getting such a sum to help himself and, at the same time, to help his creditors. "I don't want to embarrass him in any way, but my duty is to the creditors and to the public to see that he does not stay away. He might attempt, of course, to escape, though I am quite ready to believe that he does not intend to. As your Worship has heard, the transaction is on a large scale, and \$5,000 should not be too large a sum for him to get to straighten matters out, as far as he can."

His Worship.—Yes, but the defendant has been in custody for a week.

Mr. Orme.—If there are any means of securing that Mr. Beaumont would report himself day by day I have no wish in any way to prevent him from having access to anything he wants and incidentally to Mr. Russ.

His Worship.—I don't think you are prepared to put that responsibility on the Police, are you?

Mr. Orme.—No I don't wish to do that, but at the same time—

Mr. Russ.—He is quite prepared to report himself every morning to the Official Receiver or to the Police, whichever way is desired.

Mr. Russ added that without a passport it would be impossible for the defendant to escape from the Colony. As regards Canton or Macao, he understood that extradition treaties were in operation to offset any attempt that his client might make of escaping to those ports.

Beaumont.—I have no intention of leaving the Colony, your Worship.

Mr. Russ.—As a matter of fact, he does not desire to leave the Colony at all.

Mr. Lindsell.—Am I to understand that you are prepared to get \$1,000 as cash, or is it as security?

Mr. Russ said that the sum might be obtained, but with great difficulty.

Beaumont.—A man like me does not wish to take French leave.

His Worship decided that the bail be reduced to \$2,000, divided into four securities of \$500 each, with an undertaking that the defendant should make a personal appearance before the authorities every day. The case itself would be adjourned for a week, as asked for by the Official Receiver.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

Shanghai Begin Practising.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, April 19.
Cricketers have started practice for the match against Hongkong Garrison. Messrs Barrett, Ollerdsen, Quayle, Allcock, Barnes, Broome, Brook, Clifford, Hayward, Leach, Morris, Nield, Mancel Smith and Wainwright are among the candidates.

SHANGHAI NEWS.

Some Interesting Items.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, April 19.
The ratapayers are voting on seventeen resolutions this afternoon.

Ten Chinese members of the crews of Japanese steamers from German ports have been charged with smuggling pistols.

Hollow gold pencils accompanying dice represent the latest wrinkle among Chinese gamblers, according to evidence in a Mixed Court case.

DAY BY DAY.

While riding in a ricksha along Shaanwan Road last night, a coal merchant, named Hok Shiu-chuen, was set upon near St. Mary's Chapel by two men, who stole \$35 in notes from his pockets. They escaped.

A feud of long standing between two clans at Paitoi Island, within the waters of the Colony, yesterday culminated in a fight in which two men were so badly injured that they had to be removed by the Water Police, who stopped the fight, to the Government Civil Hospital.

PEKING NEWS.

According to a wire from Peking, a circular telegram issued by Chang Tso-lin states that the reason for the Fengtien troops going South is to prevent anyone from hindering the unification plans.

It is reported that the Whanho River has overflowed its banks at Lieh-nu.

News in To-day's

New Advertisements.

An office room is to let in Powell's Building.—Page 4.

A steam launch is for sale.—Page 4.

The May Hall annual dinner takes place on Saturday, April 29th.—Page 4.

Dances are taking place at the Prince's Pavilion on Monday and Tuesday next, the profits from which will go to the St. Dunstan's Home for the Blind.—Page 4.

Instructions re dress to the Scottish Company of the Defence Corps in connection with the annual inspection to be held to-morrow are given on page 4.

Messrs. Dodwell and Company inform consignees of cargo of the arrival in port of the s.s. Kendal Castle.—Page 4.

Will Rogers will be seen in "Jubilo" at the Kowloon Theatre to-night.—Page 12.

The O.S.K. advise consignees of the arrival of the Arizona Maru.—Page 5.

Why you should buy a "Vale" Auto-Stop safety razor is told in pictures on page 2.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 25.513'16d.

The Weather.

2 p.m. Barometer:—29.92 Temperature:—75° Humidity:—65

Lighting-Up Time.

Lighting-up time to-day 6.45 p.m.

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A MISERABLE FRAUD.

Prisoner's Wife Cheated.

Daniel David Jesus, an unemployed clerk, 37, was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon with obtaining \$30 from Mrs. A. Santra, wife of a prisoner in Victoria Gaol, by falsely representing to her that he had been sent by Santra to collect that sum. It appeared that after paying the money to the defendant through a schoolboy named Charles Varrelmall, Mrs. Santra money from his wife, and asking him if he had received it. Santra sent a letter to the Superintendent of Victoria Gaol saying that he had not authorised anybody to get money from his wife, and asking that investigations be made. The report was referred to the Police by the Prison Department, and as a result of investigations defendant was arrested.

C. Varrelmall, a schoolboy of 28 Elgin Street, and a friend of Santra, stated that on either the 4th or 5th ult. defendant went to his house and informed him that he had been asked by Santra to get \$30 or \$20, to be used to bribe a cook in Victoria Gaol to serve him with better food. Defendant asked him to obtain the money from Mrs. Santra. After defendant had left, witness sent a girl of his house to Mrs. Santra. The girl returned with \$30. Next day, when defendant repeated his visit, witness handed over the \$30 to him. He did not see defendant again until the 7th. April, when the latter called on him and asked if he had received any letters from Santra. Witness said he had received no news and asked defendant if he had a receipt for the money from Santra. Defendant went away, promising to bring a receipt next day. He, however, did not appear again.

Defendant: Did I tell you that I had been asked by Santra to request you to tell his wife not to worry about him, because he was doing only light work in the printing office in gaol?

Witness: You said that Santra complained about the food.

Defendant: I am asking you this question. Answer it—Yes, you did say so.

Have you any receipt from me for the \$30?—No. You promised to get it.

You told the Magistrate that you didn't know me before the 4th or 5th March, and yet you entrusted me with \$30 without getting a receipt. But you used the name of Santra.

Do you mean to tell me that you would give money to anybody who used Santra's name?—No; but you said you were working in the Police Station.

Didn't I tell you that I had been in gaol?—No.

Defendant said that it was obvious that he had been in gaol, otherwise he could not have seen Santra. He worked in the same printing office with Santra.

A Chinese girl testified to receiving \$30 from Mrs. Santra and handing it over to Varrelmall. She saw Varrelmall hand over the money to the defendant.

Defendant: You could only see Charley's back if you were standing on the top of the stairs?

Witness: But Charley was standing sideways.

Charley never gave me any money. If I received any money from him I must have given him a receipt. Did you see me give him a receipt?—No. When he asked for a receipt you said you would get it.

To Bribe the Cook.
Chan Sze, wife of Abonia Santra, gave evidence as to handing over

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3 And at the same time a real razor—

4 One that doesn't require a new blade every day—

5 But over the counter strips itself and keeps its blades sharp for weeks and weeks—

6 That doesn't require taking to bits every time you want to clean it—

7 That is capable of adjustment according to the nature of the beard—

8 That never drags the hair off—

9 But always leaves the face smooth and soft—

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\$20 to the last witness and writing a letter to her husband.

Giving evidence, Abonia Santra said he was sent to gaol on March 1st. He had known Daniel Jesus for a long time. He saw him in gaol at the beginning of March and had worked together with him. On his discharge defendant asked what he could do for him. "I told him," said Santra, "that if he saw my friends he could say that I was alright."

The Magistrate: The evidence shows that he went to 33 Elgin Street. How did he come to know of that address?

Santra: I gave him that address when I asked him to tell Charley, who was a good friend of mine, that I was alright.

The Magistrate: Did you authorise him to collect any money from your wife or anybody else?—No.

Did you ever speak to him about bribing the cooks of Victoria Gaol to give you better food?—Never.

Examined by the defendant, Santra admitted that he asked the accused to tell his wife through Varrelmall that he was alright in gaol.

Defendant said that when he was discharged at 11 a.m. on the 4th he went straight to 33, Elgin Street, and told Varrelmall what what Santra had asked him to say. Continuing he said, "I said good-bye and went away. I did not go there next day and did not ask for or receive \$30. On April 7th, I went to 33 Elgin Street and asked Charley if he had received any letters from Santra. He said "No." I then said good-bye and told Charley that I was going to see the Prince of Wales. I was arrested for no reason whatever. When the policeman asked for my name I gave it to him."

The Magistrate: Can you suggest any reason why the witnesses should have come here and simply perjured themselves in order to get you into trouble?

Six Months.

Defendant: I can offer no suggestion.

The Magistrate: There is no doubt whatever that Mrs. Santra gave the money to the people of 33 Elgin Street. She might have given the money, but I did not receive it.

Have you had any work since your discharge from prison?—Yes. In the beginning of March I worked for some stevedores to get coolies for them. Before I went into gaol I was a clerk in the Far East Acetylene Company.

The Magistrate: You are convicted. (To Inspector Grant): He had three months for stealing last year, didn't he?

Inspector Grant: Yes.

What were the circumstances?—As far as I know defendant had been a clerk in the factory of the Far East Acetylene Company for about a year. He took goods from the factory and gave them to customers without payment. He has been known to the Police for many years, but this is the only conviction against him.

The Magistrate to defendant: It is a mean and testable action to swindle your own friend. Six months.

1,293,500,000 PASSENGERS.
During 1921 the Underground and the three tramway companies associated with it carried 1,293,500,000 passengers.

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
RENT CONTROL IN SINGAPORE.

Singapore, April 18.
The controversy has reopened regarding rent control which the Government proposes to terminate in June. A deputation to H.E. the Governor is being organised to demand its continuance.

EXHIBITION CLOSSES.

Singapore, April 18.
The exhibition has closed. The total attendance was 300,000. It is regarded as a great success and possibly the forerunner of a series of similar events aimed at boosting trade.

NO CRIME FOR 10 YEARS.
There have been no prisoners for trial at the Quarter Sessions Courts in the Borough of Tottenham (Kent) for the last ten years.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

Plenty of Exercise.

BY ALLMAN

HELLO TOM, I DROPPED IN TO RETURN YOUR UMBRELLA THAT I BORROWED A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO—THANKS VERY MUCH!

I'LL GIVE THAT UMBRELLA TO YOU—YOU MAY KEEP IT

SAY WILBUR, WHO WAS THAT YOUNG FELLOW YOU HAD OVER AT YOUR FLAT HELPING YOU THE OTHER EVENING?

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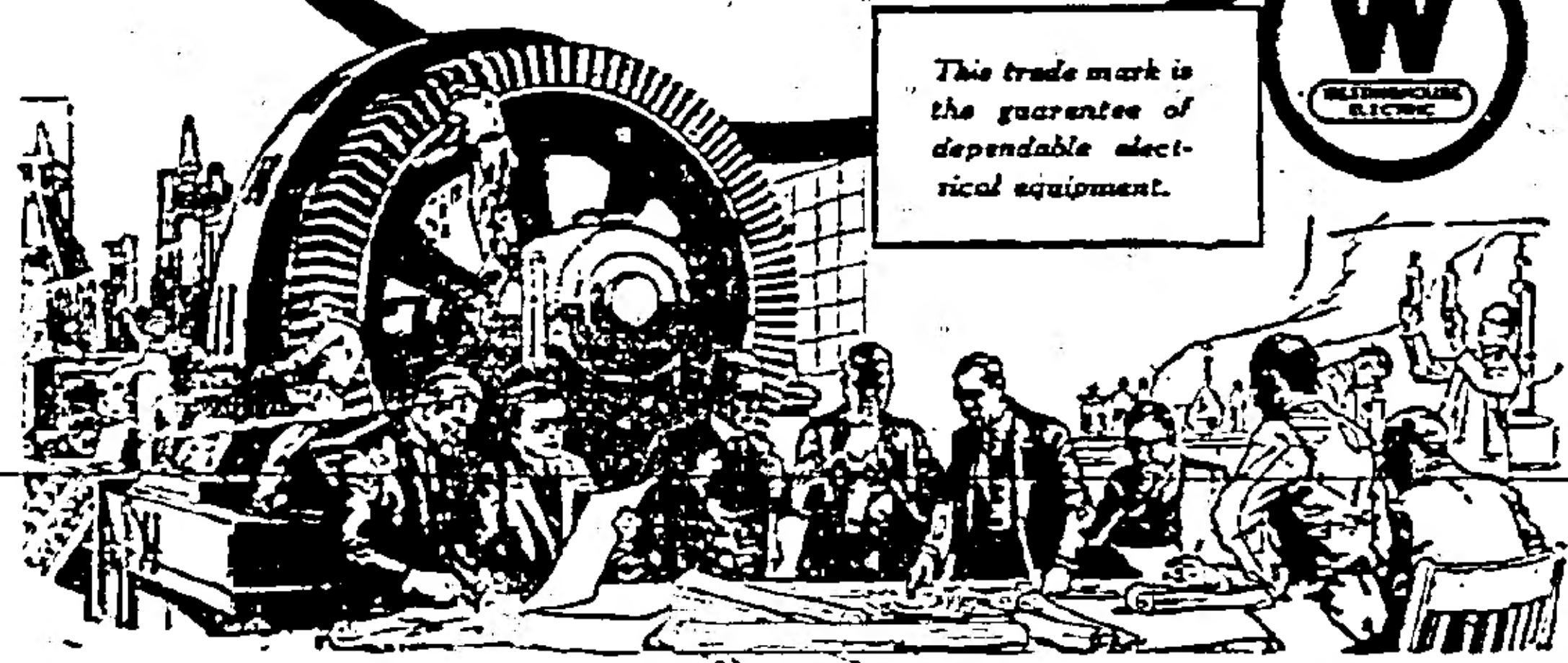
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE RUSSO-GERMAN BOMB-SHELL.

Genoa, April 18.
An acutely critical situation has suddenly arisen at Genoa as a result of the signature to the Russo-German Treaty by M. Chicherin and Herr Rathenau, which had the effect of a bombshell both in Genoa and the Allied capitals. The withdrawal of the French delegation is one of the numerous possibilities arising. It is not thought, however, that the incident will result in the break-up of the Conference. It is pointed out that Russia primarily wants money, which Germany cannot supply, so it is expected that Moscow's back will not be stiffened unbendingly towards the Allies' demands by a diplomatic triumph involving full recognition of the Soviet by Germany and virtual re-establishment of pre-war relations with the reciprocal appointment of Ambassadors and Consuls. The possibility of the Treaty developing into a Russo-German Alliance is not overlooked. While the *Daily Chronicle* finds little intrinsic fault with the terms of the treaty, most of the morning newspapers are considerably perturbed. The *Times* and *Morning Post* urge the necessity of complete Franco-British understanding to meet the defiance danger involved.

CHINA'S POLITICS.

Genoa, April 18.
Sir Charles Addis, interviewed by Reuter, at Genoa, declared the gravity of the political situation in China was exaggerated. There was no ground for a quarrel between the North and South. Political changes in Peking were mainly Cabinet changes and did not imply any alteration of the method of government. China had always emerged from such vicissitudes as a homogeneous nation and doubtless would do so again. The only obstacle to the union was the Military Governors, who usurped government, diverted revenue and otherwise oppressed the people; but there were signs that the people were growing restive and combining against military despotism. If a fiscal boycott was established, the reign of these despots would be short-lived; meanwhile, foreign trade was not affected as might be supposed. He pointed out that exports and imports for 1920 were a record, while the yield of the Customs and Salt Gabelle was greater than ever. Even the railways showed a surplus. When the Central Government was established the possibilities were infinite. Chinese statesmen recognised the advantages of the Washington Conference and there was no doubt that Japan would loyally fulfil her obligations. Already a better Chino-Japanese understanding was manifest, to the advantage of all round trade and prosperity.

CHINA AND OPIUM.

London, April 18.
Sir John Jordan is proceeding to Geneva to-day to represent Britain on the Opium Commission sitting under the auspices of the League of Nations. Interviewed by Reuter's representative, he said that the Commission would attempt to determine the world's medical needs as regards opium, but only the pressure of public opinion would make the nations concerned agree to limitation. He was of the opinion that the opium problem depended on the poppy crop. There had never been so thorough and widespread a movement in the world as that by which the cultivation of the poppy had stopped in China between 1907 and 1917. Unfortunately, in 1917 when the crops were eliminated from China, British manufacturers exported 600,000 ounces of morphine to Japan most of which undoubtedly found its way into China. That amount was now reduced, but American manufacture of morphine had increased. Meanwhile, the Central Government of China had weakened and the Military Governors in the Provinces, in order to raise revenue for their troops, were taxing the peasants on the basis of their crops of opium, thus forcing the peasant to grow opium in great areas, which were now being harvested. Our attitude towards China should be one of sympathy and co-operation. Public opinion in China was depressed and rather hopeless; therefore, it was important that Western public opinion and a more hopeful, idealistic influence in China should be stimulated with a view to reducing the devastating influence of opium in the world.

GREAT BRITAIN AND JAPAN.

London, April 18.
In an article in the *Daily Mail* headed "Watch Japan," Lord Northcliffe discusses the danger he asserts threatens the world generally, and the British Empire particularly, from the Japanese military party. He draws attention to the size of Japan's army and her growing naval superiority in Chinese waters. He suggests that the Japanese have not relinquished their plan of mastering China and, as a result of the Washington Conference, will merely alter their tactics to suit the new circumstances. He alleges that the war party is as indifferent in policy as regards keeping treaties as many of her traders are regarding the infringement of the trademarks belonging to others.

THE GENOA CONFERENCE.

Genoa, April 18.
Sir Charles Addis has been summoned to assist the Currency Finance Committee, on which he and Mr. Basil Blackett are substitutes for Sir Robert Horne and Sir L. Worthington Evans.

First defendant said that a little after 6 p.m. on the 8th, he went to complainant's shop to see if anyone was working. Two of the shop's loks were working. He and his companion, the second defendant, told the workers that they must stop after 6 p.m., after finishing their jobs. Complainant then entered and said to him (defendant) and his companion "I don't know you. You had better go away." Complainant threatened to use violence if he and the second defendant refused to leave, and subsequently urged his loks to carry out the threat. One of the employees of the shop picked up a stool and struck witness on the head with it.

Examined by Mr. King, defendant admitted that he refused to leave the shop when ordered to do so. After hearing the evidence, his Worship said that he believed defendants were the aggressors. Argument on that point followed, and the case was adjourned until to-day for Mr. Vaux to produce further evidence.

"THE METHOD OF MOUNTING spectacle glasses is of the greatest importance," writes Dr. C. Hartridge, F.R.C.S., Ophthalmic Surgeon to the Westminster Hospital, "they must be accurately centred in frames that are light, strong and well fitted, otherwise the good effect of the most carefully chosen correction may be entirely frustrated by a faulty position of the glasses, or even a fresh source of eye strain may be introduced." The Hongkong Optical Co., successors to Clark & Co., refracting and manufacturing opticians, located in 53, Queen's Road Central, have the equipment and instruments to adjust your spectacle to a nicety.

ONE HOUSE, ONE GARDEN.

Every house in the United Kingdom should have a garden, and, failing that, there should be a window-box, said Lord Leverhulme in an address to the St. John's Wood School of Art.

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BARBERS' HOURS.

Employers Dissatisfied.

Dissatisfied with the agreement recently reached between Chinese master barbers and their employees, that all barber shops should suspend business at 6 p.m. every day, proprietors of barber shops in Shaikwan, Causeway Bay and Kowloon have made a combined protest to the Guild and requested that the working hours under the agreement (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) be readjusted. They complain that the new working hours do not suit their clients and suggest that they be permitted to continue business up to 8 or 9 p.m. If the Guild approves of the suggestion, they are prepared to consider a reduction of the working hours in the forenoon to ensure a ten-hour day. Two of the leading barber shops in Waichai chiefly patronised by Europeans have made a similar application. The Guild has not as yet given a reply.

It will be remembered that the agreement for a ten hour day was reached after a meeting between employers and employees on the 3rd inst., and was enforced from the 6th, when the Barbers' Guild had a holiday to celebrate their success.

The Yaumati Case. The hearing was continued at the Magistrate's yesterday afternoon of the case in which three members of the Barbers' Guild were charged with threatening the proprietor of a barber shop in Yaumati.

Mr. T. H. King, Deputy Superintendent of Police, prosecuted and Mr. F. G. Vaux defended. Evidence at the previous hearing showed that the trouble arose over an allegation that the complainant did not observe the agreement to stop business after 6 p.m. A fight took place in the complainant's shop in which the complainant and one of the defendants were injured.

Opening his defence yesterday afternoon, Mr. Vaux reviewed the agreement. Complainant said that the agreement did not bind him but the fact that the complainant closed his doors on April 6th, which was proclaimed as a holiday by the barbers to celebrate the satisfactory agreement, was conclusive proof that complainant was satisfied with it. Only two inspectors, the first two defendants, visited the complainant, and not ten men as was alleged. The inspectors told complainant that he must observe the agreement.

His Worship said he was only concerned with the threat.

Mr. Vaux said that after the inspectors had spoken to the complainant it was only a question as to which of the two parties started the fight. The defence was that defendants were assaulted first.

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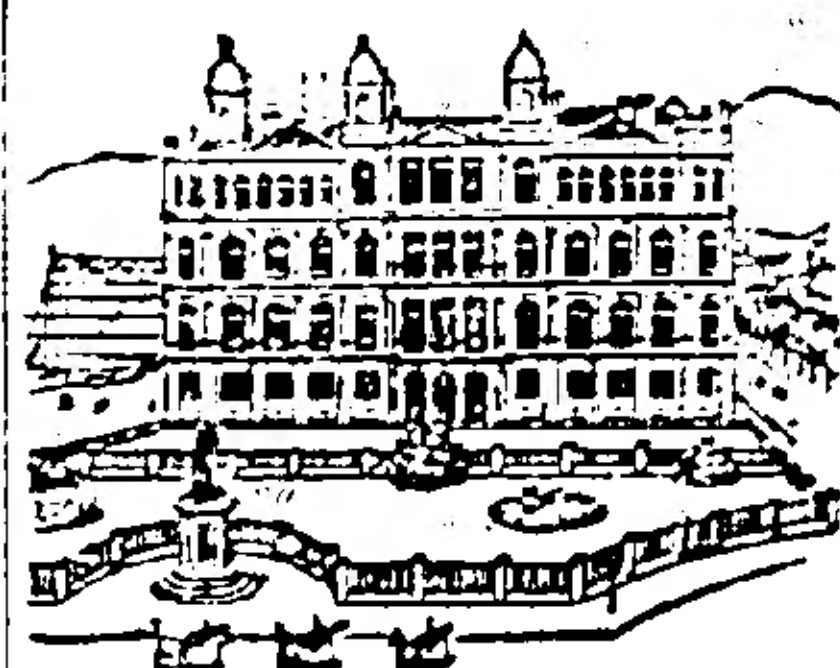
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In the Billiard Tournament at the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, yesterday, Mr. C. W. Cheung (—200) beat Mr. T. Bromley (—150), the final scores standing at 250 and 223 respectively. Mr. Cheung's highest scores were 19, 16 and 14,

and Mr. Bromley's, 18. Later in the evening Mr. A. J. Edmonds (—100) beat Mr. C. Earnshaw (—300), 250 to 143. Mr. Edmonds' highest breaks were 17, 16; Mr. Earnshaw's, 41, 23, 22, 18. Matches will be played tomorrow evening between Mr. E. A. Murphy and Mr. W. Atkinson; also between Mr. C. Bond and Mr. W. Agle.

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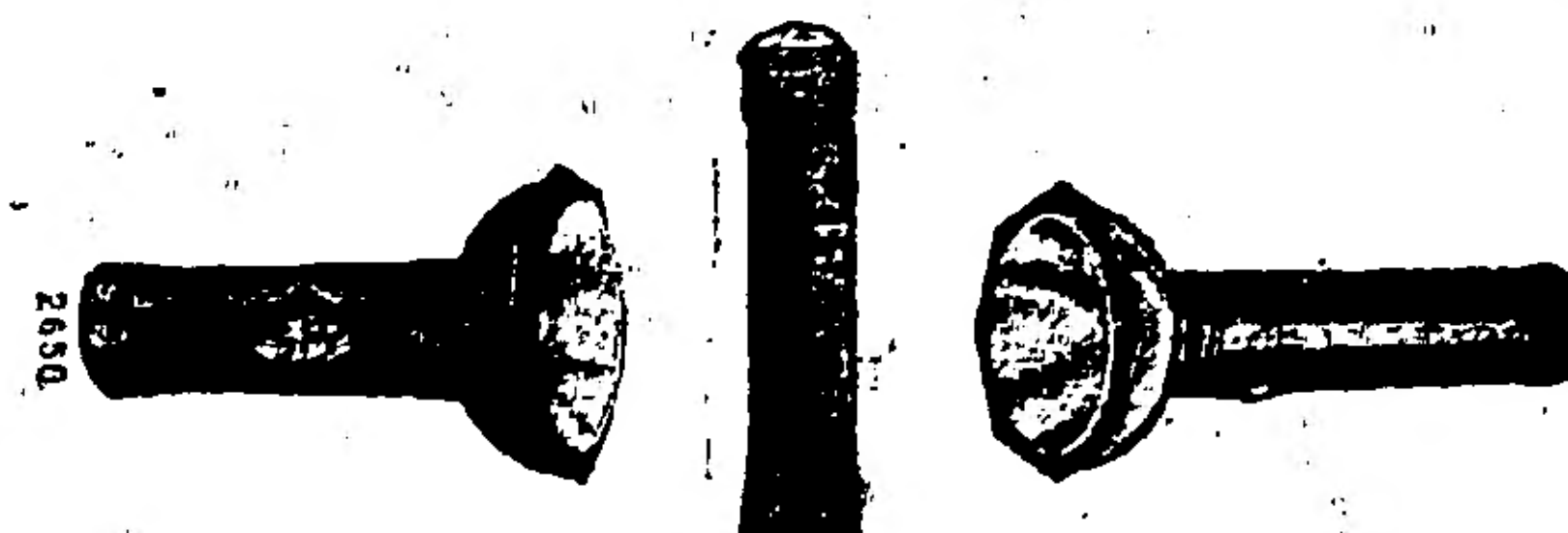
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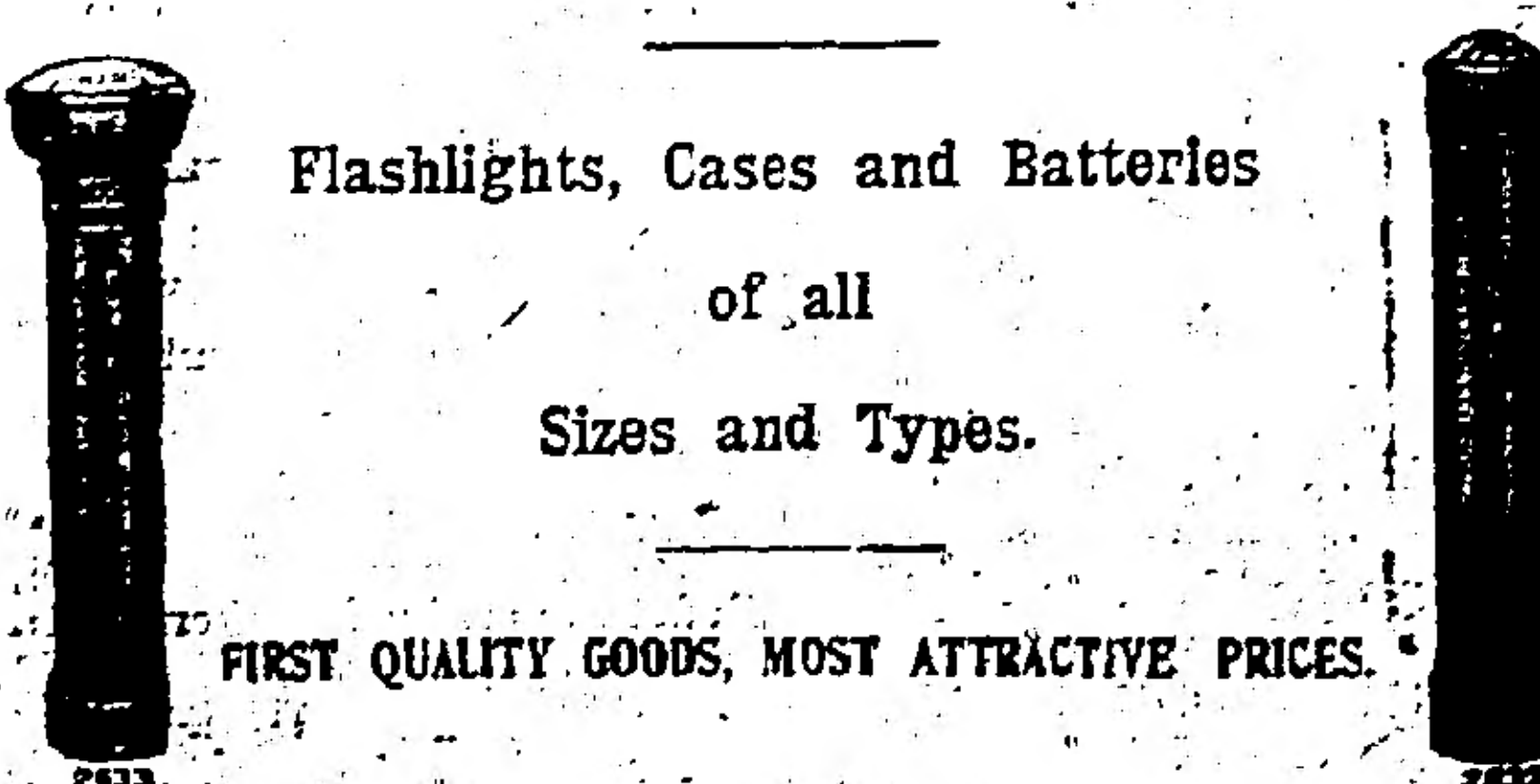


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DANCES AT THE PRINCE'S PAVILION.

With the permission of the Government, afternoon dances, from 5 to 7, will be held in the Pavilion, on Monday, the 24th, and Tuesday, the 25th April. Admission (not including refreshments) 50 cents for each date.

Tickets can be obtained at Montre's or at the door. Any surplus will be sent to St. Dunstan's Home for the Blind. The Hongkong Hotel Company are kindly giving the Band, free of charge.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Thirty-third Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, St. George's Building, on Saturday, 22nd April, 1922, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 28th February, 1922, and electing Directors and Auditor. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 15th to the 22nd April, 1922, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1922.

NOTICE.

Owing to the advancing cost of newspaper production, it has been decided to make an increased charge of 20 per cent. on present rates, as from April 1st, 1922, on the following descriptions of casual advertisements, namely:—
Government Notifications.
Municipal Notifications.
Official Notifications.
Legal Notices.
Company Notifications.
Association, Club and Society Notices.

This, of course, does not affect the charges made for contract spaces held by commercial firms or for small "Want" advertisements.

NOTICE.

May Hall Annual Dinner on the 29th April, Saturday, 8 p.m. Old residents intending to join please notify the undersigned.
G. GEED WONG.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

The undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Thursday, the 20th April, 1922 at 3 p.m.
at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street

5-Seater 4 Cylinder Hudson Touring Car

(with 2 spare wheels and tyres in first class condition, only done 8,000 Miles, "on view 2 afternoons before day of sale")

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Buffet Supper by Hongkong Hotel inclusive.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "KENDAL CASTLE"

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Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 19th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 5th prox. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by

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Hongkong, 19th April, 1922.

NOTICE.

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HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Members of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held on Thursday, April, 20th, 1922, at 4 o'clock precisely, in the OLD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, CITY HALL, for the following purposes:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1921.

2. To elect a New Committee.

3. To transact any General business.

By Order,
D. K. BLAIR, Secretary.

Hongkong, April 8th, 1922.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, No. 6, Connaught Road, on Wednesday, the 26th April, 1922, at 11.15 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ended 31st December, 1921, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, 20th April, 1922, until Wednesday, the 26th April, 1922, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1922.

THE COWIE HARBOUR COAL COMPANY LIMITED.

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Nos. 5 and 6 Platoons and Band.

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Dress: Drill Order. Hejmetts, Kilts and Sporrans, Khaki hose tops and short putties.

(SD) T. W. HILL, Lieut. O.C. Scottish Co., H.V.D.C. Hongkong, 19th April, 1922.

NOTICE.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

Special Caddies will be available at Fanning on Sunday, 23rd April. Fee 70 cents, including railway fare.

NOTICE.

National Loans of the Third Year of the Republic (1914) and of the Fourth Year of the Republic (1915).

With reference to the Notice issued to the Press by the undersigned under date 23rd March, 1922, in which was published a list of the schedule numbers of those \$10,000 Bonds and \$1,000 Bonds of the above Loans for the interest and redemption of which the Inspector General of Customs is responsible, the public is hereby notified that, owing to an error on the part of the Ministry of Finance, three numbers were omitted from that list, namely:

4th Year Loan: \$1,000 Bonds: Nos. 2331, 2332, 2333.

and that these three Bonds are redeemable, and interest coupons which they bear payable, from the funds under the administration of the Inspector General of Customs.

F. A. AGLEN, Inspector General of Customs, Peking, 5th April, 1922.

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AFTER THIRTY-ONE YEARS.

Mr. H. B. Bridger Retiring.

After over thirty-one years' residence in the Colony, Mr. H.B. Bridger, engineer in charge of the installation department of the Hongkong Electric Company, is going Home to enjoy his well-earned retirement. He sails tomorrow by the Empress of Russia.

Mr. Bridger first came to Hongkong as long ago as January, 1891, with the P. & O. Company. In November of the next year he joined the staff of the Hongkong Electric Company, with which firm he has remained ever since. Mr. Bridger has seen many changes since he has been in Hongkong. When he first joined the Hongkong Electric, electricity was a novelty to the Colony. The Company had only been formed two or three years and electricity had been in use in Hongkong only some six months or so.

Mr. Bridger is a well-known Freemason, having been a member of St. John's Lodge (618) for over thirty years. He is now acting Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scottish Freemasonry, Hongkong and South China District. As a mark of goodwill and esteem the local Masonic community presented him with an address at a farewell supper held a short time ago.

Joining the Volunteers in 1893, Mr. Bridger served for ten years, severing his connection with the corps in 1903 with the rank of sergeant. During the war, 1914-19, he served in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

In addition to the Masonic address, Mr. Bridger was presented with an address by the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders, a report of which ceremony appears elsewhere in this issue. He has also been the recipient of several parting gifts, amongst which are a suit case, blackwood tray and travelling clock from the European staff of the Hongkong Electric Company and also pleasing reminders from the Chinese staff of the Company.

Mr. Bridger has made no real plans for the future and is not sure whether his retirement will be spent in the "Old Country" or in one of the colonies.

LAWN TENNIS.

Yesterday's Match.

A large crowd of spectators gathered on the H.K.C.C. ground last evening, when, in the semi-final of the Doubles Championship, Ng Sze-kwong and W. Lock West met and defeated F. A. Redmond and G.R. Sayer. The match was won in three straight sets, the game score being 18 to 10. On the whole, the contest was disappointing, none of the players showing up to championship standard. Ng Sze-kwong and Redmond were the more outstanding of the four, but there was a general lack of consistent excellence. The winning pair will now have to meet the victors of the match in which the Lo Brothers play Wong Po-keung and Yvanovich.

There are a number of games down for this evening, the most promising being that between M. W. Lo and S. A. Rumjahn, in the third round of the Open Singles.

NEWS FROM CANTON.

Re-arranging the Expedition.

Our Canton correspondent reports that the removal of the military headquarters of the Cantonese expeditionary army from Kwailin to Shikwan is now in full swing. All the battalions have been ordered by Sun Yat-sen to start for the east, and the Kiangsi and Yunnan troops, commanded by Li Lieh-chun, have already arrived at Wuchow and will proceed to Shikwan by way of Hoibin instead of via Canton. The other forces will follow Sun to Canton and proceed by way of the Canton-Hankow Railway.

It is stated that Chan King-ming has agreed that the division commanded by Shu Shung-chi shall be independent of the control of the headquarters of the Cantonese army, and that he has supplied it with five million dollars as initial expenses.

Sun Yat-sen is due to leave Wuchow for Canton to-day (Wednesday).

Chan King-ming called an important military meeting recently, at which all leading military, naval and financial officials were present. It is understood that the Northern expedition was discussed.

HONGKONG HOTEL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

TEA DANCING

THURSDAY. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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FRANCE AND HER COLONIES.

A Big Shipbuilding Programme.

Several contracts for ensuring steamship connection between France and her colonies have been signed by the Government in the course of the last few months, the conditions upon which this shall be done being revised in favour of such lines as the Messageries Maritimes and the Chargeurs Reunis on account of the widely different economic conditions prevailing in comparison with those of pre-war days. At the same time, a building programme regarding passenger steamers and freight and passenger steamers has been drawn up with the assistance of the Ministry for the Colonies, which has defined the requirements of overseas France. One sees that the task of the mother country is very great on account of damage sustained to the mercantile fleet in recent years, when the yards were too busy building and repairing ships of war to be able to help make up the deficiency. In fact, the task is so great that, even if the money is found for payment in regard to new ships, the scheme can hardly be carried out except with foreign assistance. One can only conclude that, granted that the financial side of the question provides no check, foreign yards will find business among French shipping line owners for some time to come.

On looking at the minimum requirements as defined by the Colonial Ministry, one finds that France needs 75 vessels to assure connection with territories overseas: twenty-two for North Africa, totalling 88,000 tons; twenty of 11,000 for the Far East—230,000 tons; eight of 9,500 tons for Madagascar and Reunion—76,000 tons; six of 4,000 tons specially for Morocco—24,000 tons; six of 10,500 tons for possessions in the Pacific—63,000 tons; five of 6,000 tons for the Antilles—30,000 tons; four of 8,000 tons West and Equatorial Africa—32,000 tons; four of 8,000 tons for the Near East—32,000 tons. That is to say 565,000 tons of shipping.

And according to the Ministry of Commerce, which looks at things from a different angle, the above list should have added to it: three 25,000-ton liners for the New York service, in place of the superannuated Savoie class; three of 20,000 for South America; and five of 12,000 tons for the Eastern Pacific. That is to say, another eleven ships totalling 195,000 tons, the requirements of the two ministries aggregating 760,000 tons.

As has been said, a general scheme has been put forward by the competent authorities. This is on the form of a bill, a decision on which has not been made by the Senate. It is proposed that

the State shall shoulder 150,000,000 francs of the burden. Under present circumstances it is not surprising that the more sober section of Parliament demurs a trifle before pledging the taxpayers to such an extent. Since part of this sum is certainly going to be granted for bettering relations with the colonies, which are sure to repay the mother country for the money expended upon them, the Under-Secretary for the Merchant Service has been bold enough already to order that the building programme shall be started, even if it is necessary—and it has been found so—to borrow ships from the stocks at the Naval arsenals.

And so, whereas the private shipping concerns have ordered twenty-six liners totalling 289,600 tons and twenty freight and passenger steamers totalling 161,900 tons, the State has arranged for the building of: one passenger steamer of 13,800 tons for the Indo-China service; one of 10,000 tons for Madagascar; two steamers of the Duc d'Anguleme type—4,500 tons each—and two Mustapha II's—3,500 tons each for North Africa; namely, a total of 491,300 tons. These vessels will be added to the Messageries Contractuelles and similar subsidised lines when they are completed. Orders have still to be placed for another 107,800 tons of shipping, one sees, if the requirements of the competent ministries are to be satisfied.

Readers will recall that France is due to receive certain compensation for war losses from the Germans, but this has been sadly reduced by agreements reached latterly to the Treaty of Versailles. Several steamers, it is true, have passed from German to French hands, among the best of which is the Cap Arcona. This vessel is not exactly a treasure, for as long as ten years ago she delighted the eyes of South Americans. The Brussels Convention of March, 1919, dealt a serious blow to French reparations prospects, which the French find harder to bear since U.S. and British experts three months later declared their appreciation of their difficulty in assuring the colonies of an adequate quantity of shipping. This was then estimated to have been decreased through the war by sixty per cent.

Unfortunately, the French position was further impaired by the Anglo-French agreement of December 14th, 1920. Then, it will be recalled, France renounced her claim upon half the tonnage which was due to her by the Treaty of Versailles from the German shipyards on condition that England did likewise, and, furthermore, chartered to France 109,000 tons of steamers. As matters stand, France's claim, the new shipping to be ceded by Germany, will not amount to much more than 40,000 tons—two fair-sized Atlantic liners.

It is anticipated that Allied aid will be repaired for supplying French needs, including those of her Colonial service.

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Consignees per Co's Steamers "MENTOR" are hereby notified that their Cargo has been brought forward by S.S. "ANTIOCHUS" and will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 17th April.
 Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.
 All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.
 No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd April, will be subject to rent and any additional charges for cooie hire incurred.
 All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 6th May, or they will not be recognized.
 Consignees are urgently requested to make prompt arrangements for removing or storing cargo. Failure to do so will result in congestion in the Godowns, which will entail delay in the return of subsequent cargoes.
 No Fire Insurance will be effected.
 BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
 Hongkong, 15th April, 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
 AND
 CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Company's Steamer "AGAMEMNON"

are hereby notified that their Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 18th April.
 Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.
 All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.
 No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th April, will be subject to rent.
 All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 8th May, or they will not be recognized.
 Consignees are urgently requested to make prompt arrangements for removing or storing cargo. Failure to do so will result in congestion in the Godowns, which will entail delay in the return of subsequent cargoes.
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 BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
 Hongkong 17th May, 1922.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE LIMITED.
 From UNITED KINGDOM, GENOA, PORT SAID, COLOMBO and STRAITS.

The Steamship "CARNARVONSHIRE" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.
 Goods not cleared by the 24th April, at 5 p.m. will be subject to rent.
 All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined in the presence of consignees by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, on 24th April, 1922, at 10 a.m. Claims against the steamer including those for cargo short delivered must be presented on the special form provided and must also be submitted within 30 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognized.
 No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
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 Hongkong, 18th April, 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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FROM BELAWAN DELI, PENANG and SINGAPORE.

The Steamship S.S. "VAN OVERSTRATEN" having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo by her are notified that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.
 Goods not cleared by the 24th April, 1922, will be subject to rent.
 Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.
 No Fire Insurance will be effected by the undersigned in any case whatever.
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
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 Agents.
 Hongkong, 17th April, 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

From EUROPE and STRAITS.

S.S. "TOTTORI MARU" Consignees of Cargo by the above steamer are hereby notified that the whole of the same will be reshipped from SHANGHAI and will arrive here on or about the 23rd instant, by
 S.S. "AKITA MARU," and these Goods will be landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents.
 Hongkong, 18th April, 1922.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

From TACOMA via YOKOHAMA, KOBE, OSAKA, NAGASAKI, SHANGHAI AND MANILA.

The Company's Steamship "ARIZONA MARU" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.
 Goods not cleared by the 25th April, 1922, will be subject to rent.
 Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' representatives and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday and Saturday. All claims must be presented within Ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.
 No fire insurance whatever will be effected.
 Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.
 OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, Y. YASUDA, Manager.
 Hongkong, 18th April, 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS LIMITED.

From ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO, LONDON and STRAITS.

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 All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 27th inst. or they will not be recognized.
 All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 20th inst. at 10 a.m.
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 Hongkong, 13th April, 1922.

WEDDING.

Normington—Gray.

The wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon of Mr. Fred Normington, of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd. and only son of Mrs. and the late Mr. George Normington, of Bradford (Yorkshire); to Miss Elizabeth B. C. Gray, elder daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Robert Gray of Kirkcaldy, Scotland. The Rev. H. Copley Mayne performed the ceremony. Mr. H. Jones, Manager of Messrs. Montrie & Co., gave the bride away, and Miss Edna Normington, sister to the bridegroom, attended with Miss

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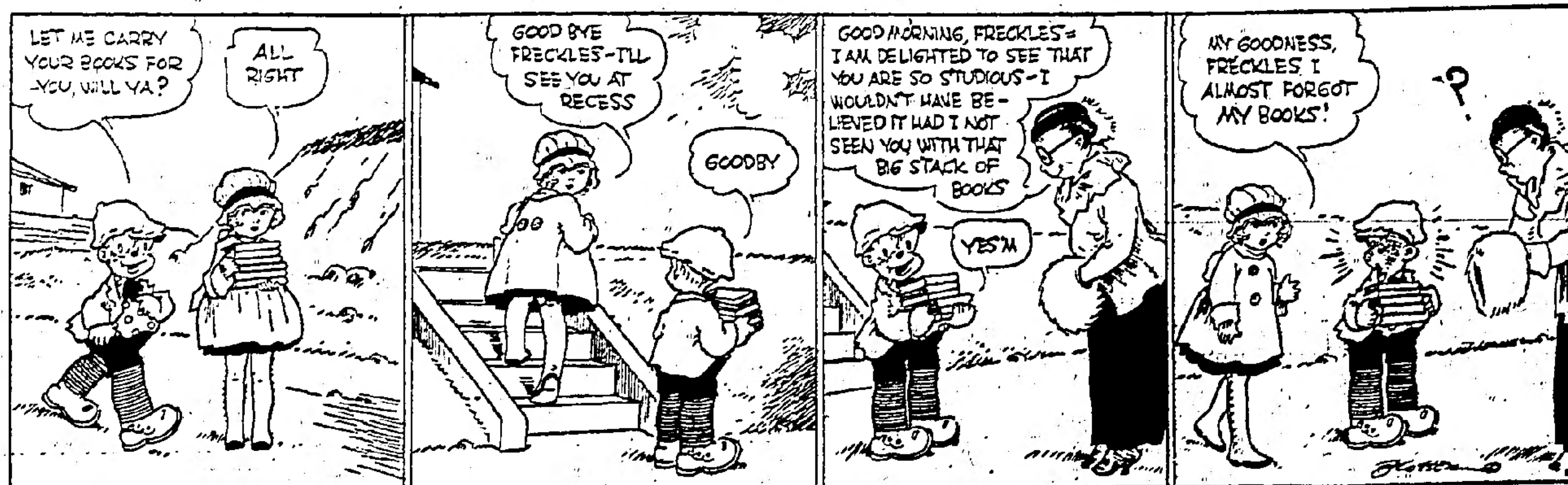
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day. (Shanghai and Tientsin
papers please copy).**The Telegraph.**

HONGKONG, 19th April, 1922.

NOT ENOUGH.

If the Proclamation issued yesterday by H. E. the Governor discloses the full extent of the measures to be taken in regard to Hongkong's *mui-tai*, we must confess our disappointment. Mr. Churchill definitely asserted in the House of Commons that a scheme would be drawn up for the abolition of the system. By no stretch of the imagination can the measures now announced be made to square with that pronouncement. Girls who have reached the years of discretion may see the Secretary for Chinese Affairs if they wish to quit the service of their employers, but they are told that they must not leave their present homes unless they have employment to go to. Obviously, none of them can have jobs in view; so none will be freed. The warning given to masters and mistresses against attempting to prevent *mui-tai* from seeing the S.C.A. is probably necessary, but we are wondering what measures are to be taken to inform the girls themselves of their newly-defined status. Seeing that the majority of the *mui-tai* are closely confined indoors, some special means will have to be devised to inform them that they are not the property of their employers.

It seems to us that if the authorities are really sincere in their desire to abolish the whole system root and branch, the right thing to do would be to call for a return from employers of the number of *mui-tai* they have, to make it an offence if false returns are supplied, to notify all the girls that they are entitled to liberation, irrespective of age, and to devise some satisfactory scheme, as the London Daily News recently put it, for the future welfare of the liberated children. Here it is worth recalling that the very first enactment passed by the Hongkong authorities (so far back as 1844) aimed at the abolition of slavery and declared that the emancipated slaves who were unable to earn their livelihood should be supported

by the Colony until put in a way to support themselves. The Ordinance was, however, disallowed by the Home authorities, as it was considered that the Imperial statutes for the abolition of slavery extended by their own proper force and authority to Hongkong. None the less, the intention of the authorities to look after the well-being of those released from bondage was apparent. There is no such indication in the present case. If we are going to abolish the system, let it be done thoroughly, in which event the Chinese charitable institutions would no doubt co-operate with the Government in caring for those girls who wish to be released. Unless the Proclamation issued yesterday is but the beginning of a larger scheme, we fear that it will be a dead letter so far as its effect on the present obnoxious system is concerned.

Watch Canton!

What's happening to the much-advertised Southern expedition against the North we can't profess to say. The latest story is that Kweilin has been found an inconvenient starting point, and that the army is now to proceed via Shuiukwan. The discovery seems to have been made late in the day, and in any case it would be interesting to know why Sun is now returning to Canton. Governor Chan is now said to be determined to lead a division in the expedition, so as to discount the stories of his being at variance with Sun. Well, we shall wait and see. There is evidently something more than a mere revision of strategic plans going on, as time will doubtless show. The tangled skein has not yet been unravelled, but it cannot be long before there emerges something more definite than can be seen at present.

The Opium Commission.

Sir John Jordan's observations upon the opium situation, delivered on the eve of the sitting of the commission of the League of Nations, deserve careful notice as coming from a man of high integrity who served for many years at Peking. Our ex-Minister to China, after referring to the widespread movement between 1907 and 1917 by which the cultivation of the poppy was, he says, stopped in China, proceeded to declare that just as the crops had been eliminated British manufacturers exported 600,000 ozs. of morphine to Japan, "most of which undoubtedly found its way to China." This appears to be only too true. As far as Britain is concerned, this trade is now subject to Consular certificate as to medical need. But this second evil does not alter the facts in relation to opium, which, as Sir John states, is now grown in most of the provinces at the express direction of the Tutchuns, who flatly ignore the orders of the commissioners sent from Peking. The ex-Minister's plea for sympathy and co-operation with China will be generally approved as far as it goes, yet surely Sir John, with his knowledge of China, is in a special position to realise that it is almost hopeless to look for improvement under the conditions prevailing in the republic.

Dealing with the Tutchuns.

Sir Charles Addie's remarks to Reuters' representative at Genoa (whether the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank director has been summoned to assist the Currency and Finance Committee) are at least a little perplexing. Declaring the gravity of the political situation in China to be exaggerated, Sir Charles stated that there was no ground for the quarrel between North and South, and that the Tutchuns are the "only" obstacle to reunification. The dispute between Peking and Canton is pretty well known by now. There is "no ground for quarrel" in the sense that there need be no dispute if both sides would do the right thing, but it is the failure in this respect that is the cause of disputes. Over and above the North and South issue, the disorder in the republic is due to the ambitions of the Tutchuns, whom Sir Charles describes as the "only" obstacle. The trouble is that the "only" obstacle is the dominant one. It is like saying that order would reign if all disorder were removed. Sir Charles says there are signs that the people are growing restive and are combining against military despotism. We trust so. At

DAY BY DAY.

THERE IS A PRECIOUS INSTRUCTION TO BE GOT BY FINDING WE WERE WRONG. LET A MAN TRY FAITHFULLY, MANFULLY TO BE RIGHT, HE WILL GROW DAILY MORE AND MORE RIGHT.—Carlyle.

Dr. W. J. Woodman goes on leave by the Empress of Russia to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock is going home for six months' leave on Wednesday next.

Popular dances are to be held in the Prince's Pavilion on Monday and Tuesday next, from 5 to 7 p.m. The charge will be fifty cents, and any surplus will go to the St. Dunstan's Home.

The remains of the two quarrymen who were buried under a mass of rocks in the landslide at Matakot, were last night exhumed by the searchers and removed to the Kowloon Mortuary.

Dr. C. C. Wu, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs in Canton, returned from Kweilin yesterday morning by Samshui-Canton train. Accompanying Dr. Wu were Mr. Chau Lao, Commissioner of Salt Revenue and other prominent officials who have recently been in Kweilin.

Three months' hard labour was the sentence inflicted on the Chinese employee of Dr. C. C. Wang who was convicted this morning on a charge of obtaining a bottle of quinine from the Sincere Stores by falsely representing that the opium was made by the doctor.

A piece of land at Pokfulam, Rural Building Lot No. 203, having an area of 34,375 square feet, was sold by auction at the offices of the Public Works Department yesterday afternoon for \$5,000, or about 15 cents a square foot. The upset price was \$4,133. The purchaser was Mr. G. H. Wilson, of Messrs. Robertson, Wilson and Co.

The final match in the tournament for the billiards championship of the Colony is to be played this evening, commencing at 8 p.m. sharp. The finalists are L. A. Osmond and P. A. Yvanovich. The game will be 1,000 up and played in two sessions, the second session commencing at 9 p.m. The challenge round for the Championship will be played on Saturday, 22nd inst., when the winner of the tournament will meet the holder, Mr. A. J. Osmond.

The concubine of a Chinese merchant who had appeared before the Court several times on charges of stealing jewellery from her husband, was this morning bound over conditionally on a guarantee of good behaviour for the next three months. In announcing his decision Mr. Wood told the accused that, in accordance with the wishes of the merchant, she would be sent to school where she would be expected to be on her best behaviour.

Harold Lloyd is seen in the Coronet attraction, "Among Those Present". As the irresponsible hotel bellboy posing as a young English lord among America's "new rich" he is the same engaging personality, the same inimitable mimic who has delighted his myriad admirers many times before, but he is also a more finished artist, a more human character. For delicious suggestion the scene where he retails his mythical hunting exploits to the assembled company, assisted by frequent libations, would be hard to beat. His actual hunting exploits, however, surpass everything. Lively, varied, and original, they are the cleverest things he has done in one of the funniest comedies he has ever made.

present, however, the combination appears to have stopped in the embryo stage. The eminent banker has a simple solution for dealing with the military gentry, to institute a fiscal boycott, he says. But then the War Lords help themselves. Sir Charles, it may be, is referring to the Customs receipts, which raises a big issue.

**OLD RESIDENT
RETIRING.****Links with the Past.**

One of the Colony's "old hands," in the person of Mr. T. W. Robertson, Superintendent of the Star Ferry Company, and Superintending Engineer of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, leaves on retirement by the Empress of Russia to-morrow. Accompanied by his wife and daughter, Mr. Robertson is proceeding to Victoria, British Columbia, where he intends settling down. His numerous friends in the Colony will wish him very many years of well-earned rest. During the 30 years of his residence in Hongkong, Mr. Robertson has, by his sterling qualities, his courtesy of manner and his genial disposition, endeared himself to all who have had the pleasure of knowing him, whilst as a skilled engineer he has contributed in no small degree to the development of utility services here. He has taken a keen interest in local affairs and served on the Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association. During the past few days, the high esteem in which he is held has been manifested by many presentations, including an illuminated address from the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders (of which he is the senior past President), a gold watch from the European staff of the Godown Company, two blackwood silver-inscribed chairs from the Chinese and Portuguese staffs of the Ferry Company, a silver-inscribed blackwood table from the fitters and workmen of the Godown Company, and a beautiful silver epergne from the launchmen of the Godown Company.

Then and Now.

It was 30 years ago last November that Mr. Robertson first came to the Colony, being at that time chief engineer with the old Scottish Oriental Steamship Company. Seven years later he joined the Wharf and Ferry Company and has been with them ever since. He has been the only Superintendent the Ferry Company has ever had since the time the ferry service was taken over from the late Mr. Dorrabjör. In those days it was a very intermittent ferry service that was run between Hongkong and Kowloon, being maintained by small launches and the tickets being paid for on board every trip. Less than 1,500 passengers were then carried daily, whereas to-day the total averages 18,000. The Kowloon jetty was then situated on the seafront at the foot of Haiphong Road, where the Godown Company's new offices now are, but the Hongkong jetty was where it still is, being used partly as a public pier until the Ferry Company purchased the site from the Government. When the Star Ferry Company first started, its service was maintained by two launches and two double-ended ferry-boats similar in design to the present ferries, but smaller. The whole fleet was disposed of about 20 years ago, being inadequate to public needs, and the present boats put on instead. The old double-enders, named the Morning Star and Guiding Star, were sold to Messrs. Shewan Tomes and Company and put into use between Canton and Faishan; one of them is still to be seen in the harbour towing Green Island Cement Company's barges.

Houses at \$30 a Month!

The above facts were gleaned from Mr. Robertson in a chat we had with him yesterday. Asked what conditions were like when he first came to the Colony, Mr. Robertson said in those days Kowloon had little or no hinterland and, except for Kowloon Point, was more or less bush. To get either to Cosmopolitan or Kowloon Docks there were only small, rough tracks; no proper roads; and the same was true of the rest of the outlying districts. There were no flats and comparatively few European houses on the peninsula then. Of course, rents were far cheaper than now—as an example, Knutsford Terrace houses let at \$30 per month, plus \$2 taxes. Everybody had a house in those days; there were no flats nor were there any house-sharing. Food prices were low, and a good tweed suit could be bought for \$12.

Hongkong's Hotels.

As to the Hongkong side, Mr. Robertson said the development during his time had been really wonderful. When he arrived here, the Hongkong Hotel, much smaller than it now is, was situated on the waterfront, the reclamation not having been carried out, whilst the other hotels included the Victoria Hotel, situated where the Central Market now is, and later removed to the corner now

ROUND THE TOWN.**By "Gadabout."**

They had a fine crowd at the ball at the Prince's Pavilion on Monday night. It wasn't quite such a regatta as the Prince's ball, but you got bumped a bit going round and you didn't have to mind getting sandwiched now and again. Still, that's all the game and we got used to that kind of thing in Hongkong. It just shows how big a dance hall this Colony really needs. The dance programme was so old-fashioned as to be almost a novelty. Some devotees of the light fantastic, favour the old dances and maybe there is something to say for them, but the Valets, Boston Two Step and some of those other hops they gave us all died a natural death and were decently interred long ago. Talking of these old-fashioned dances reminds me of a little story. A number of ladies were in the lounge of a local hotel, partaking of the cup that cheers, and after some discussion on the merits of the old dance as compared with the new, one of the party turned to her neighbour and asked—"Do you know the D'Albarts?" "No," replied the other, who, truth to tell, was not quite so *au fait* with the subject as she made herself out to be and who was taken rather off her guard. "Er—do they live in Kowloon?"

But we were talking about Monday night's dances. Hardly anybody ever dances 'em, precious few of this generation know 'em, and precious few want to. A programme containing just the popular fox-trots, one-steps and a waltz or two would have done much better. Number two on the programme got me guessing. What on earth's a Ladbroke? And the Colorado Walk also found me having a beer. Still, although the programme got lots stumped, there was no need for the ladies at any rate to sit out. The jolly Jacks seemed to know 'em all and were quite game to take on any member of the fair sex who wanted a bit of tuition. In a place like this, where there aren't enough ladies to go round and we never ask for a dance without an introduction, don't you know, that tag game is a good idea. When you're hopping around with your best girl and some guy comes along and after giving you a dig in the small of the back, calmly annexes her and glides off, it may seem a bit rough, but it gives the fellow whose circle of girl acquaintances is not a wide one a chance to get a dance—all you've got to do is to look round and, after spotting the prettiest girl in range, do the same thing yourself.

So the ladies of Kowloon want to play bowls. Bless their hearts, why shouldn't they? They can. But not on the Kowloon Bowling Green Club's rink. I'm afraid if they really do want to play, they'll have to form a club of their own. The men don't want 'em playing with them. Even those who supported the proposal that the ladies should be given a few days in the latter half of the season didn't seem really enthusiastic about it and those who voted against the ladies being allowed to play were most emphatic on the point, or, at any rate, that's what the one-and-only reporter who was present tells me. The fair sex are permitted to use the tennis courts and I believe they play golf with the menfolk but, as one of the fellows pointed out to me, it's getting a bit too thick when you can't let out a good healthy d—n in your own club now and again. They will come out sometimes, you know, even in the best of circles, and it's putting too great a strain on a man's constitution when he's got his wood as near to the jack as a pair of cupid's fools are to one another on a stile at Home on a moonlight night in the springtime, and the next man comes along and hits his wood away and he can't say more than "bother." A man wants his club to himself and as soon as one woman gets her foot in, it's the man's club no longer; it's her's.

occupied by the Chartered Bank in Queen's Road. The block now occupied by the Bank of Canton and Andersen, Meyer and Co. was in those early days known as Thomas' Grill. It was kept by a coloured man and was a very popular dining place incidentally. Mr. Robertson said there was about 20 years ago, a proposal on foot to build a new Hongkong Hotel on the waterfront from the point now occupied by the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company down opposite to the Star Ferry wharf, but the scheme fell through,

ENGINEERS' INSTITUTE.

Presentation of Addresses.

Two members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders with over a quarter of a century's association with the club, Mr. T. W. Robertson and Mr. H. B. Bridger, are retiring and going home. Last night in the presence of a number of friends, both were presented with addresses as a mark of good will and esteem.

In presenting the addresses, the president, Mr. J. Reid, said they were aware that at the complimentary dinner to Mr. Robertson and Mr. Bridger it was decided that addresses should be presented to these gentlemen to remind them of their associations with the Engineers' Institute. They had now arrived at the stage when they had to say farewell and, while they felt that they were losing very kind friends, they could not but think that their retirement was very well earned. They trusted that Mr. Robertson and Mr. Bridger would have many happy days and would now and again pass their minds back to their many happy days in Hongkong. They would always be pleased to hear from them and they hoped that both Mr. Robertson and Mr. Bridger would give them copies of their photographs to put up in the Institute amongst those of the other celebrities which adorned their walls.

Mr. Reid then presented the addresses, which read as follows:—

"T. W. Robertson, Esq. President 1908-1909.—Sir, in view of your approaching departure from the Colony the committee of management, on behalf of the members, desire to place on record the respect and esteem in which you are held. As president and as a member of committee your personality and your deep interest in the welfare of the Institution have left an enduring impression on their minds and the memory of your whole-hearted assistance on countless occasions during the 28 years of membership will ever be a treasured recollection. They feel keen regret at your departure and take solace in the thought that it is a result of faithful labour and well earned reward which they sincerely trust you may be spared many years to enjoy."

"H. B. Bridger, Esq. Vice-President 1910-1911.—Sir, in view of your approaching departure from the Colony, the committee of management, on behalf of the members, desire to place on record the respect and esteem in which you are held. As Vice-President and as a member of the committee your personality and your deep interest in the welfare of the Institution during your 30 years of membership, especially the yeoman services rendered in the strenuous days of its early struggles, have placed those who follow in your footsteps under an obligation which cannot be effaced from their memory."

Both addresses were signed by Messrs. J. Reid (President), W. Budge (Vice-President), J. Ormiston (Vice-President), R. Hunter (Chairman of Committee), P. T. Farrell (Vice-Chairman of Committee), J. McCubbin, A. Davidson, R. Hall, G. J. Hartman, Wm. Russell, J. Tully, T. G. Paterson, W. J. Stokes (Committee), A. Leach (hon. treas.), and S. Baker (hon. sec.).

Mr. Robertson expressed gratitude for the very kind thoughts contained in the address. He would treasure it as an heirloom and look upon it occasionally and think of the people of Hongkong and the people with whom he had been so long associated. One made many friends and it was difficult to cut them off at once; one learnt to appreciate their good qualities, born of good fellowship. Mr. Robertson concluded by again thanking the members for their kind words and said he would treasure the address very much indeed.

Mr. Bridger said when he joined the Institution, thirty years ago, he never thought that a day would come when he would be presented with an address from that Institution. He could assure them that he felt it very greatly. The last number of years he had not made himself very useful to the Institution, although he knew that in the olden times, as the President had just said, he had done his best—in the old strenuous times when they did not know whether they were going to survive or die. Mr. Bridger spoke of the Institute when first moved into their premises on the Praya. He was very pleased to see it in such a flourishing state

PLAGUE IN HONGKONG.

48 New Cases Yesterday.

Plague continues to make itself felt in Hongkong, there having been no fewer than 48 fresh cases reported yesterday. Of these, all but 15 were from the city of Victoria. Thirty-eight of the cases ended fatally. All the sufferers were Chinese. There were also 17 cases of small-pox (13 fatal) notified yesterday, all Chinese.

According to the *Canton Times*, special precautions are being taken in Canton to prevent plague being spread thither from Hongkong, the Bureau of Health suggesting the examination of all passengers coming from this Colony either by steamer or railway. Two plague inspecting offices may be established in Whampoa and Sheklung for steamers and train passengers respectively. Certain regulations governing the proposed inspection have been drawn up by the Commissioner of the Bureau and submitted to the Mayor for approval. They are as follow:—

Any steamer entering Canton from a plague district must suspend its running at Whampoa, waiting for examination by health officers. If any passenger on board a steamer is found to suffer from an attack of infectious disease, the doctors are invested with full power to make arrangements for the patient to be sent to a hospital outside the north gate for quarantine and treatment. Whenever any inquiry is made by the doctors regarding plague, the ships' officers as well as the passengers shall give full information. After the inspection is completed, the doctors shall issue each passenger a permit to land.

All trains from Hongkong shall stop at the Sheklung station to receive the inspection officers.

These regulations will be cancelled when the plague in Hongkong is over. It is reported that the foreign Consuls in Shanghai will be informed of the proposals by Mayor Sun through the Bureau for Foreign Affairs.

MASKED CARNIVAL.

Next Saturday's Event.

Those who have not yet danced in the Prince's Pavilion will have their chance on Saturday next, when the Ex-Active Service Men's Association, with characteristic enterprise, is holding a gay carnival there. Fancy dress is optional, but dancers are requested to wear masks. The event should be one of the most successful of the dancing season, and patrons may look forward to a very happy time. Confetti and streamers will be obtainable at the Pavilion, the band of the King's Regiment will provide the music and buffet supper will be served by the Hongkong Hotel. We understand that the number of tickets will be limited, so those who intend being present will be well advised to pay an early visit to Montie's.

GOLF.

Easter Competitions at Fanling.

The Easter competitions at Fanling resulted as follows:—
Bogey pool held over holiday.
Pay List F. D. France, R. N., 3 up.
Medal Competition.—(16th April)—H. Gordon Eales—96—18—78.
Medal Competition.—(17th April)—The following tied:—B. D. Crawford, Morgan—80—3—77; C. C. Stark—87—10—77; F. A. Dinsdale—91—14—77.
Mixed Foursome.—(17th April).—Mr. & Mrs. N. L. Smith—89—15—74.

as it was in at the present time. Mr. Bridger assured them that he felt very greatly, not only in leaving Hongkong, but in leaving the Institution of Engineers, which was one of the first clubs he joined when he first came to the Colony. He thanked them for the address, which, like Mr. Robertson, he would treasure all his life.

Mr. Budge in a few words, wished the two retiring members Godspeed, good health and happiness. Mr. McCubbin said he thought they should thank Mr. Stokes for the trouble he had taken in getting up the addresses. Mr. Ormiston proposed a vote of thanks to the chair and this brought the proceedings to a close.

INDIANS AT LAW.

A Money-Lending Dispute.

With a pathetic expression on his countenance, an Indian money-lender appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell to lodge an accusation of dishonesty against a compatriot. The allegation was that the latter withheld a promissory note which was entrusted to him, in his capacity of employee to Mr. G. R. Haywood, to be handed to the solicitor for the purpose of instituting an action against the recalcitrant debtor named in the note. The dispute, it appears, was of long standing, and the services of the Committee of the Khalsa Diwan, had to be invoked in an endeavour to settle the matter. Apparently, his efforts were unsuccessful, for to-day the parties had to apply to the higher authority as represented by Mr. Lindsell. His Worship had to deal with a number of intricate points. First, he had to discover an attempt to muddle up the point at issue, by a reference to other promissory notes which did not come into the question, and secondly, he had to face a poser in the form of a challenge which the accused issued to his adversary for the production of the necessary proof that such a promissory note had been entrusted to him. "In the ordinary course," he said, "the other man should ask me for a receipt when he handed me the promissory note. Ask him to show it. That would be proof that I had the note."

The money-lender, however, expressed his fears that his compatriot might be banding-glove with the debtor and had handed the note back to the latter, in which case he had very few chances of seeing it again.

"Bring the debtor," his Worship said, in giving the case a short remand.

TWENTY YEARS WITH VOLUNTEERS.

Lieut. Higby Goes Home.

Amongst those leaving for home on the Empress of Russia are Lieut. and Mrs. W. J. Higby. Lieut. Higby has completed nearly twenty years' service in Hongkong and is now returning to his birthplace, Westcliffe, in Essex, where he intends to spend the remainder of his days. He is retiring on a pension, with the rank of captain.

Mr. Higby has seen over thirty-seven years Army service. He joined the ranks of the Royal Artillery on Feb. 14th, 1885. Some four years later he gained his sergeant's stripes and in June, 1902, he was made regimental quartermaster and sergeant posted to Hongkong. He came to this Colony and joined the Hongkong Volunteer Corps (as it was then named) in October, 1903. He was promoted to lieutenant and quartermaster in Aug. 28th, 1916. Lieut. Higby's retirement dates from September, this year, the interim being counted as leave. Lieut. Higby put in such good work in this Colony that in February, 1917, he was mentioned in War Office Notice for services rendered with the Hongkong Volunteer Corps.

Lieut. Higby has other service abroad besides Hongkong. From June, 1885, to October, 1889, he was stationed in Malak and from there he went on Indian service, returning home in December, 1897. Extremely popular amongst a large circle of friends, "Walter" goes home with the best wishes of all for a happy retirement.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.

The Annual Report.

The report of the committee of the Society of St. George, Hongkong, for presentation at the fifth annual general meeting, to be held at the City Hall, on Friday, 21st April, at 5.30 p.m., states:—
Your Committee has pleasure in presenting to you the report and statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1921. The cash balance in hand stands at \$2,167.80 and in addition the sum of \$5,000 has been placed on fixed deposit.

During the year the only call on the funds for assistance has been a grant to an Ex-Member of H.M. Forces of \$500.
To mark the occasion of St. George's Day the sum of \$100 was granted from the Society's funds to the Director of Education for Prize Essays and

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These "322" ships should prove very attractive to passengers desiring to return to America direct, omitting North China and Japan, and will offer speedy service to shippers to Pacific Coast ports.

CHINA'S AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE.

Pining For Cathay.

Mr. Chen Lu, Chinese Minister to Paris, has decided to quit his post without awaiting the permission of the Government, and he is leaving for China in a few days, according to a recent message.

Mr. Chen has sent his resignation to the Government no less than three times, but every time the Government succeeded in persuading him to reconsider his decision. Now he has become so tired of his post that he says he must go. The Government first intended to have him exchange posts either with Mr. Hu Wei-ten or Mr. Wang Kuang-chi, Chinese Ministers to Japan and the Netherlands respectively and later tried to persuade him to represent China at the League of Nations after the return of Dr. Wellington Koo to China, but he refused to entertain either of these proposals and insisted upon going home.

for the purchase of books for the British Schools.

In conjunction with St. Andrew's Society the sum of £351.19.9 was collected and remitted to Earl Haig's Fund for the benefit of Ex-Servicemen.

On the 6th January, a ball was held in the City Hall, at which more than 1,300 persons were present, and on 11th November, a successful smoking concert was given by the Society in the Theatre Royal.

During the year, 90 new members joined the Society, the membership of which now totals over 500.

Your Committee deeply regret to record the death of the following members since the last report:—Mr. A. Balean, Mr. A. H. Crew, Mr. H. W. Dick, Mr. I. Gray, Sir Ellis Kadoorie, Mr. F. Farbrother, Mr. J. C. Willden; and extend sincere sympathy to their relations.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, chartered accountants, to whom our thanks are due.

CITY MEN AS LINGUISTS.

The Chinese "Puzzle."

Increasing numbers of City men are taking up the study of foreign languages.

Inquiries made by a Press representative showed that there are more young men working "overtime" in extending their knowledge of other tongues than ever before.

British posts abroad are demanding this increase of knowledge, and when the day's work is done in shop, bank or business the young men start their private work in the mastery of languages.

Asked what advice he would give the young Britisher on what were the most advantageous languages to acquire, Sir Denison Ross, Director of the School of Oriental Studies, said:—

"GERMAN FIRST.
"German should be learnt first, and either French or Spanish. The importance of Spanish lies in South American interests, which are growing. People are only just beginning to realise the immense wealth of this country and the opportunities a good knowledge of Spanish provides."

"Later on, within geographical limits, Russian will be of great utility to the commercial man, but at present, for business purposes, I would call a man thoroughly equipped as a commercial representative abroad, if in addition to his own language, he knew German, Spanish and Arabic."

"THE CHINESE 'PUZZLE'."
"Arabic is the key to the East, and a good smattering of this tongue opens up half a dozen other countries to his enterprise."

Sir Denison Ross added that leaving out the ancient cuneiform writings, Chinese was, in his opinion, the hardest literature to master in the world.

"Very few Englishmen have a thorough knowledge of Chinese and Japanese, whilst we find the Japanese students themselves in this country are the most difficult to teach Western languages."

WORLD-WIDE SPORT.

R. D. Burrows, Worcestershire, will be with the West of Scotland Cricket Club as professional when the new season opens. While better known as a bowler, Burrows is a hard-hitting batsman.

Hugh M. Cloughton, a well-known Bradford Cricket League player, and a native of Guiseley has obtained a professional appointment with the Broughty Ferry Cricket Club. He succeeds "Pat" Higgins, another native of Guiseley.

News has just reached his relatives in Edinburgh of the death in South Africa of Mr. John Hay, who, in the palm days of Scottish cycling, proved himself one of the finest tricycle riders in the kingdom, and gained many noteworthy successes on road and track alike. He was also a hard-working Rugby forward, and an original member of the Edinburgh Harriers' Club.

Carpentier appears in no hurry to pay another visit to the States. The Frenchman was to have met Tom Gibbons in New York some time in April, but the Paris *Auto* quotes Descamps as saying that Georges will have a contest in Paris within three months at latest, and will defer his American trip until the situation, as regards the American middle-weight contest has been cleared up.

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Draped Skirts, Long Sleeves in French Fashions.

NEW clothes tumble on the public like a cascade. Nothing is revolutionary. Nothing is startling or frightens or repels. But there is a change, subtle, forceful, but not sinister.

Some say the movement is more definitely toward the classic than it was last year. Others think that the Slavic movement will win. The confident revival of the Moyen Age, however, has singular importance.

Here are the features that are accentuated, and can be utilized in modern clothes because the public will accept long skirts; they were not possible with short skirts. Drapery at the hips, for one thing, is accentuated by every house in Paris until the mind and the eye get familiar with that movement of fabric. The folds which constitute the drapery run directly across the abdomen and the end of the spine. The fold are brought together on one hip, and are held there by an immense ornament into which the dressmaker or the jeweller has put art and imagination.

Another Moyen Age feature is the petticoat of soft metallic cloth, the facing of metallic cloth which shows where the gown is opened at the side. The square neck, the decided effort to mould the outlines of the bust by the fabric and the long straight dip of the bodice down to the hip drapery are elements of the Moyen Age fashions which are

merely incidents in the general run of new fashions.

The new treatment of this skirt differentiates it sharply from the Spanish and the Second Empire versions of it. It has an immense circular flounce of fragile lace almost covered with embroidery in colour or in metal thread. Beneath this is a straight slip of white or coloured chiffon. These are offered for evening. They are not copied for the afternoon.

The plaited-skirt ran away with the designers. The plaiting was excessively fine in imitation of classic manipulation of fabric. Such plaitings belonged to the Greeks. They and their Alexandrian off-spring made this kind of plaiting perfect in the overgarments which fell over the straight line chemise. The plaiting on the new spring skirts is in narrow panels inserted between plain panels of the material.

There is another movement in skirts which is significant. There is a definite yoke effect over the hips and the godet fullness starts in panels beneath this tight-fitting hip part. The skirts for evening and afternoon have this flat hip effect with the fullness starting beneath it, although no one style is set. This fashion is in distinct contradiction to the fashion for folded drapery across the hips. There is room for both. Both will be worn.

be folly to conceal it. So thought the designers when they threw the bolero into the market. It leaves little of the blouse unrevealed. It is sometimes worn with a broad sash that brings it back into the styles of three years ago.

The world is wild about colour, and each week sees a wider acceptance of it by the public. This encourages the designers, and there has come about an extraordinary demand for assorted garments that make the patchwork quilt of our grandmothers a demure affair.

As rivals to the bolero there is the Russian tunic. It is wide at the hem, rather loose below the shoulders, and held in by a tight girdle at the edge of the hips. It is often made of white kasha embroidered with brown or red or bright blue. The jacket with the slightly defined waistline, hip length, and slightly flaring at the hem is left over from last summer in Paris, but it has every chance of being worn again this spring.

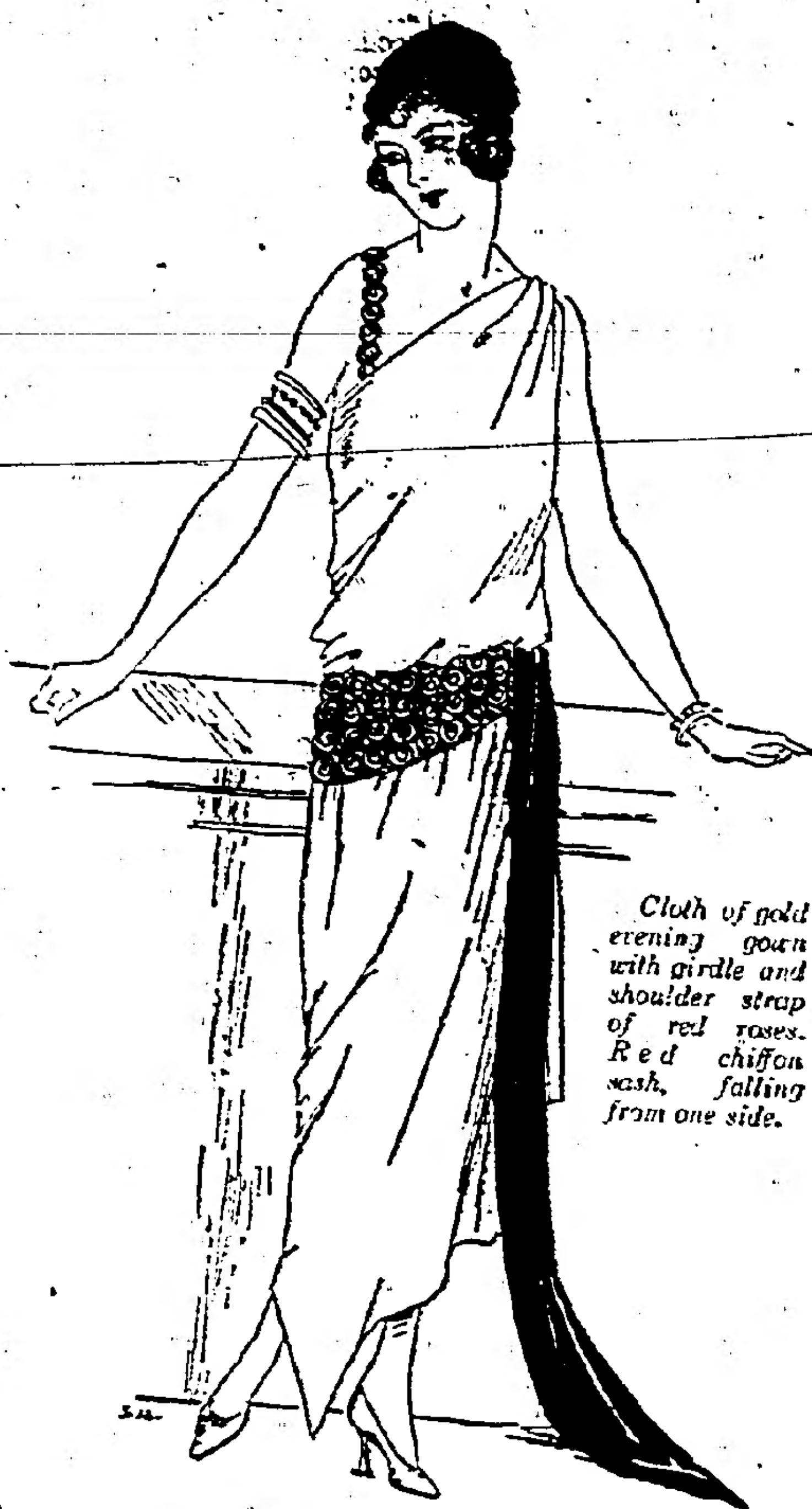
JACKETS TAKE ON RAINBOW COLOURS.

The new hammered metallic tissue looks like Damascus trays that artistic hostesses serve coffee on and men use for their smoking things. It is the new fabric of the hour, therefore the tailors do not wish to leave it entirely in the hands of the dressmakers. They make the Russian tunic coats out of it, with skirts of kasha or crepe de chine, for afternoon.

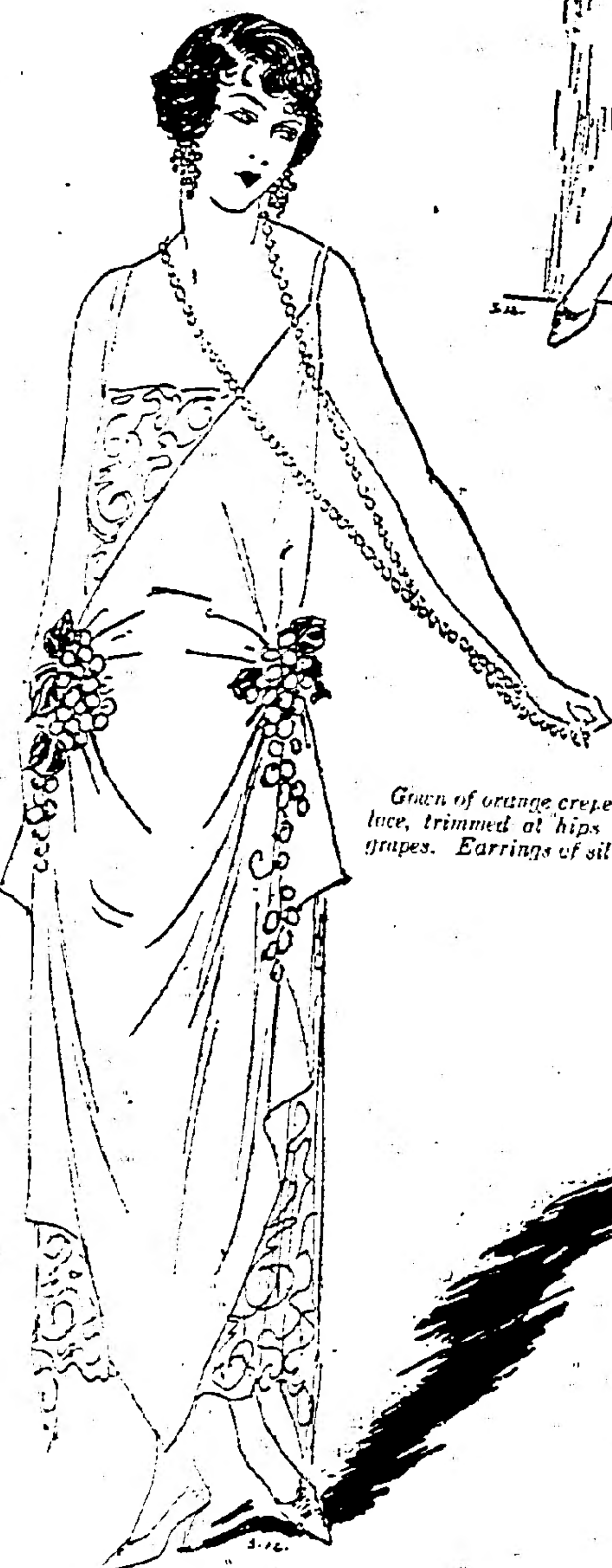
designers. It is not possible to put the finger on any one sleeve and say that it leads the others. Here are some of the important shapes; a new scarf sleeve made of a straight band of thin material which goes over each arm at one edge, forming a tight sleeve from shoulder to wrist. Another sleeve shows an immense puff gathered in at the wrist and caught to a tight sleeve at the elbow. It is not gathered there, in a careless manner, and drops away from it at the back. Heavy cream lace forms the lower part of the sleeve and the gown fabric forms the upper part. Embroidered lace, printed silk, metallic cloth are used for these lower cuffs or for deep ruffles flaring from the elbow or as straight streamers like slings dropping from the elbow or the shoulder.

The tight medieval sleeve is the one kind that does not flare away from the arm or drip with long streamers or pointed ends. It is wrinkled to fit the arm and it is cut so long that if it were pulled out it would reach several inches below the finger tips.

Slashed sleeves after the manner of the Renaissance show



Cloth of gold evening gown with wide and shoulder strap of red roses. Red chiffon sash, falling from one side.



Gown of orange crepe and silver lace, trimmed at hips with silver grapes. Earrings of silver grapes.



Gown of fuchsia crepe and chiffon embroidered in gold. Golden satin hat with velvet flowers.



Sensational Paris gown, frequently copied, of black velvet, drapery of skirt lined with white satin, ornament on hip set in diamonds.

known to every one. These are reproduced in every material for every sort of frock except coat suits, sport clothes, and the simple straight gowns for informal wear.

Another feature is the long sleeve that fits the arm, wrinkles over the hand and is cut off at the knuckles. These are put in afternoon as well as morning gowns. Designers continue to show the full skirt, with or without hoops, distended over the hips. With these go tight bodices and wide lace berthas. But these skirts

Some of the skirts continue the winter fashion of being cut upward into a scallop between the ankles. It is not a pretty trick. THE BOLERO IS EXPLOITED.

The French did not bother their heads or hands concerning the difference between two styles of garments. They exercised imagination in providing new styles from which to choose, and among these styles was the bolero. This jacket is designed to show the blouse. If the latter garment is to keep its brilliancy and continue its success it would

Sport suits emphasize bright red or bright yellow coats with black skirts, which is the new note in outdoor apparel. Coloured jackets are worn with homespun, with the new silvered covert cloth, and even heavy crepe de chine. Bright green rep is a new fabric for sport skirts.

SLEEVES AGAIN A SENSATION. None of the designers in Paris exhausted their imaginations on sleeves last autumn, although the observer thought they would. The new clothes show that museums are really useful to

the arm rather than brilliant linings. The more ornate of these sleeves are embroidered with seed pearls and twisted loops of gold or silver cord. Some of them are larger than the bodice to which they are attached.

LACE SHINES, SILVER IS HAMMERED.

Dyed lace is the fashion of the hour, but it is not as of old, a dull thing. It shines as if it had been dipped in varnish. In mauve it is at the apex of brilliancy, in flag red, in the smart apricot shade, in plum yellow, jade green, periwinkle blue, it covers half of the society women in Paris.

These laces are dropped over metal foundations. Metal has been subdued until it is in the class with crepe.

Black lace, highly varnished, is made into a gown which has Chinese red chiffon as the foundation. Surely this is sufficiently colourful to please the greatest extremist against all black. Silver lace is admirable, but what is better is a white silk net finely traced with silver threads. This same kind of net covered with a fine embroidery of seed pearls

and brilliants remains in first fashion.

Crepe de chine holds its own. No other fabric has jarred it from its pedestal. There are some new weaves in it which incline it toward thickness and give it a slight rib, that keeps it in fashion, for ribs and cords and raised stripes, they are the desire of the moment.

THE NEW COLOURS.

Violet and fuchsia-coloured cloth and crepe will be worn this season; while hats of orchid-coloured crinoline straw or satin, trimmed with hand-made roses of a deeper shade, are coming in for considerable attention.

Bronze-coloured Roman crepe trimmed with copper-coloured lace is one of the favourite colour schemes of to-day, and there are a great many pale fuchsia-coloured charmeuse and georgette dresses to be seen.

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE.

Meringue Oranges.

This is an inexpensive sweet, but quite elaborate enough for party occasions.

Required: 6 Tangerine oranges, red currant jelly, 1 gill of whipped cream, 3 whites of egg, 1½ lb. of sugar (caster).

Remove the skin and pith from the oranges and put them on an oiled baking tin. Beat the whites of egg to a very stiff meringue, stir in the sugar lightly. Put the meringue into a forcing bag, and force it over each orange, covering them completely. Sift sugar over, and put in a slow oven until the meringue becomes pale brown and crisp. Serve on a glass dish and decorate with whipped cream and red currant jelly cut into squares.

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Stock Exchange.	Sharebrokers' Association
H.K. & S. Bank	sa. 847½ b. 845
H. 335 paid	
B. of E. Asia	n. 102 n. 102
Marine Insurances.	
Canton	b. 442 n. 440
North China	n. 153 n. 150
Union	b. 245 n. 249
Yangtze	n. 25 b. 24½
Far Eastern	
Fire Insurances.	
China Fire	b. 125½ b. 125
H.K. Fire	n. 360 b. 360
Shipping.	
Douglas	b. 41½ b. 41½
H.K. Steamboat	b. 36 n. 36½
Indo (Prof.)	b. 35 n. 35
Indo Def. Long Rex.	n. 273 n. 275
Indo Def. H.K. Reg.	b. 100½ sa. 100-
Shells	n. 36 a. 36
Ferries	
Refineries.	
Sugars	n. 134 b. 134
Malabons	a. 40 s. 40
Mining.	
Kailans	n. 70/- n. 65/-
Langkats	
Shanghai Loans	n. \$10 n. 7.9
Shai Explorations	
Raube	b. \$1 b. 1.20
Tronohs	n. 24/- n. 24/-
Ural Caspian	b. 15/- n. 15/-
Benguet Con	p. 1.95½
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.	
H.K. Wharves	b. 101 b. 100
K. Dock	b. 148 b. 148 a. 150
Shai Docks	n. 113½ b. 113½ s. 114
N. Engineerings	n. 83½ b. 83½
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.	
Centrals	b. 147 b. 147
H.K. Hotels Old	sa. 19 New b. 7½ Old b. 19 New b. 7½
H.K. Lands	sa. 215 s. 215
H. Phreya Est.	b. 10.80 s. 10.85
K. Loan Lands	b. 43 b. 43
L. Reclamations	b. 201 b. 200
West Points	
Cotton Mills.	
Ewes	n. cum rta. \$16 s. 16¼
Oriental	n. \$10¼ n. 10¼
Shai Cottons	n. 146 b. 143
Miscellaneous.	
Cements	b. 20½ b. 20.30 s. 20.40 sa. 20.30/50
China Light old	b. 123½ b. 123½
China Light new	b. 123½ b. 123½
China Portland	b. 13 sa. 13
Dairy Farms Old	sa. 20¼ New s. 19 Old s. 20¼ New n. 19¼
Electrics H.K. & S.	sa. 25¼ cum rta. sa. 25¼ n. 25.35
Electrics Macao	b. 34
H. Kong & Canton Ice	n. 10 n. 10
Hongkong Ropes	b. 28 a. 30 b. 30
Hk. Tramways.	n. ex div. 12.65 b. ex div. 12.70
Peak Trams, old	n. 9.90 b. 9.94
Do. new	b. 1 b. 1¼
Steel Foundries	n. 11½ n. 11½
Water-boat	n. 16 b. 16
Watsons	b. 9¼ b. 9¼
Wm. Powells	b. 25¼
Wisemans	
L. Crawfords	n. 15½ n. 15

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

That a stylist so strongly individual as Ruskin should consent to be edited is a fact not generally known. But last month there was sold by auction the photograph of his little work, "My First Editor: an Autobiographical Reminiscence." It is dated February 1, 1878, and was later reprinted in "On the Old Road." The editorial friend was Mr. W. H. Harrison, and says Ruskin in the MS. "Not a book of mine for good 30 years, but went every word of it, under his careful eyes twice over." For this kind mentor would discover when "there was not moment, or a genuine, or a conjunction" where there should be. The script was sold for £3 10s. Five minutes earlier, in the same saleroom, a Book of Hours was knocked down for £1,600.

The Crypt Chapel, which was the scene of the wedding of Lieutenant Commander Hilton Young, M.P., and Lady Scott, widow of the great explorer, is about the only part of the old Houses of Parliament which was spared by the destructive fire of 1834. Barry incorporated the chapel foundations in his new building, and presumably found them in sufficient material out of which to reconstruct a church, for not a vestige of pre-Reformation work is left to the sight. Christenings and marriages were the only ceremonies which took place in the Crypt until recently, when a memorial service was held for Mr. Witherington, who died suddenly in the Commons reading room.

Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles planned, says a London journal, while staying at the Earl of Bradford's Shifnal seat, to pay a visit to Boscombe House and see "the tree which is said to be an offshoot of the oak which hid Charles II. from his enemies." There will be no difficulty about this, as Boscombe adjoins the Bradford estate, but the Princess and her husband will see, not an

offshoot of the oak," but the actual tree itself. It is commonly believed that the original tree was hacked to pieces by relic-hunters after the Restoration, but the late Earl of Bradford is the authority for the statement that the Boscombe Oak still stands. He estimated its age in 1878 as 450 years, and declared that "the story that it was a substitute of any sort, least of all an acorn from the original tree is ludicrous and absurd."

It may be quite true, as counsel in Lady Rhonda's peerage case asserted, that there is no record of any woman having sat in the House of Lords, but more than one has voted in the great Senate that preceded the Lords. Ladies of birth and quality, say the old writers, sat in the Saxon Witas. In 694 at Beconcel the abbesses deliberated, and five signed the decrees of the Council. Four abbesses were summoned to Parliament in the reigns of Henry III. and Edward I. We have in the time of Edward III. a list of names of great ladies summoned to the House of Lords. They were the Countesses of Ormond, March, Pembroke, Oxford and Athole. Evidently the House of Lords was not in those days a desirable place for ladies, for these countesses were permitted the privilege of appearing by proxy. Formerly the right of sitting in the House of Lords was the only point of distinction between a peer and a peeress, for the privilege of trial by her peers was accorded to every peeress by a statute of Henry VI. This Act was passed as a consequence of the extraordinary trial of Eleanor Duchess of Gloucester, wife of the famous Lord Protector, who was accused of treason and found guilty of witchcraft in an ecclesiastical synd through the intrigues of Cardinal Beaufort. A peeress, whether by her own right or by marriage, shares with peers immunity of civil arrest and enjoys the privilege in judicial proceedings of giving her verdict upon honour, and not upon oath.

SHIPPING NEWS

The following local shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day.

Vessels Arrived.

Agents	From	Mooring
Archives	B & S	Holt's Whf.
Hanan	"	Off Stonecutters
Linan	"	C 16
Choyang	J M & Co.	B 54
Yoshida	B I S N	K. Whf.
Nishida	"	A 35
Pohannon	A F C	Co's Whf.
Kendal Castle	Doddall	A 30
Lord Sefton	"	B 51
Hainbow	Douglas	Co's Whf.
Malaya	Max & Barry	B 50
Tokomi M.	N Y K	B 31
Yoro M.	K Ngon Seng	C 44
Charbon M.	Nanyo Y K	B 7
Sosha M.	O S K	Taikeo Dock
Arizawa M.	"	A 8
Roa Mung	Wing Lee	Off Stonecutters
Anakusa M.	O S K	Co's Whf.
Banasi M.	Kimura	Wanchai

Clearances.

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure.
Tijapana	J C J L	Dalry	18th April
Banka	M & B House	Bangkok	"
Wm Prospect	St & Barry	Sourabaya via Manila	"
Mattawa	C P S Ltd.	New York via Manila	"
Changchow	B & S	Taipei via S'hai	"
Chang	"	"	19th April
Nikko M.	N Y K	Nelbourne via Manila	"
Haiman	Po Shun	Haiphong via Hainbow	"
Yangtze	Yuen Cheong Lee	Hainbow	"
Dundela	Doddall	Hainbow	"
Agammon	B & S	Hainbow via S'hai	"
Hanan	"	"	"
Amherst	On Pat	K C Wai	"
Hain Wah	C M S N	Canton	"
Tijapana	J C J L	Batavia via Manink	"
Hainbow	B & S	Nawchaw via Cheloo	"
Choyang	B & S	Shanghai	"
Wanchai	B & S	Hainbow via Saigon	"
Tokomi M.	N Y K	Kobe	20th April

Impending Departures.

(Compiled from our Shipping Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing Date
Choyang	J M Co.	Shanghai	18th April
Kataang	J M Co.	Kobe	19th
Charbon M.	Nanyo Y K	Yokohama	19th
Nikko M.	N Y K	Manila	19th
City of Melbourne	Bank Line	New York	20th
Hainbow	D & Co.	Sandakan	20th
Tijapana	J C J L	Vancouver	20th
E. of Russia	C P S Ltd.	Vancouver	20th
West Prospect	S & B	Batavia	20th
Wanchai	R D Co.	Port Said	20th
Ray State	Ad. Line	Seattle	20th
Kendal Castle	D & Co.	Boston	20th
E. of Russia	C P S Ltd.	Vancouver	20th
Lokang	J M Co.	Hainbow	20th
Torilla	P & O	Penang	20th
Foehing	J M Co.	Calcutta	21st
Soochow	B & S	Taipei	21st
Samarang M.	Nanyo Y K	Sourabaya	21st
Hainbow	J M Co.	Foehing	21st
Yensang	J M Co.	Manila	21st
Kataang	J M Co.	Kobe	21st
Donera	P & O	Shanghai	21st
Chincha	B & S	Hainbow	21st
Nippon	J M Co.	Japan	21st
Tand	P & O	Swallow	21st
Hainbow	J M Co.	Japan	21st
Hainbow	J M Co.	Sandakan	21st
Shantung	B & S	Taipei	22nd
Akita M.	N Y K	Rangoon	22nd
Toyohashi M.	N Y K	Manila	22nd
Tijapana	J C J L	Shanghai	22nd
Kendal Castle	D & Co.	Beaton	22nd
Matoye M.	N Y K	Japan	22nd

Impending Arrivals.

(Supplied by our Advertisers.)

Vessel	Agents	From	Due Hongkong
Danera	M M & Co.	Singapore	19th April
Narabudda	P & O	"	19th
Licao	B & S	"	19th
Shantung	B & S	Shanghai	19th
Elisam Heath	T & Co.	"	20th
Danera	P & O	Singapore	20th
Golden State	P M Co.	Yokohama	20th

Consignees Diary.

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Vessel	Agents	Goods	Free Storage	Claims to be in by	Examination Date
Benrinnes	G L & Co.	Kowloon	Apr. 20	Apr. 27	Apr. 20
Van Overstraten	J C J L	Kowloon	Apr. 22	Apr. 27	Tues. & Friday
Andrich	B & S	Hainbow	Apr. 22	May 6	Apr. 24
Carnarvonshire	J M & Co.	Kowloon	Apr. 24	May 18	Apr. 24
Agammon	B & S	Hainbow	Apr. 24	May 8	Tues. & Fri.
Arizawa M.	O S K	Kowloon	Apr. 25	Apr. 29	Wed. & Satur.
Kendal Castle	D & Co.	Kowloon	Apr. 25	May 5	Apr. 25

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From	Per	Due
Straits	Donera	20th April
Shanghai	Szechuen	21st
U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai	Keystone State	22nd

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For	Per	Date
Saigon	Derwent	Thurs. 20 inst. 8 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Egypt & Europe via		
Shanghai, N. C. & Japan	Torilla	Thurs. 20 inst. 9 a.m.
Malacca	Kutang	Thurs. 20 inst. 9 a.m.
Hainbow & Haiphong	Kwai Wai	Thurs. 20 inst. 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Fochow	Sosha M.	Thurs. 20 inst. 9 a.m.
Hainbow	Hwah Ping	Thurs. 20 inst. 10 a.m.
Shanghai & N. China	Kwonggang	Thurs. 20 inst. 10 a.m.
Shanghai, N. China, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via Vancouver B.C.	Empress of Russia	Thurs. 20 inst. 10 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Calcutta & Aden	Torilla	Thurs. 20 inst. 10 a.m.
Shanghai, N. C. & Japan	Kutang	Thurs. 20 inst. 10 a.m.
Torilla	Kwai Wai	Thurs. 20 inst. 10 a.m.
Port Bayard, Haiphong & Haiphong	Hanoi	Fri. 21 inst. 8 a.m.
Amoy	Chincha	Fri. 21 inst. 8 a.m.
Shanghai & N. China	Soochow	Fri. 21 inst. 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Fochow	Hainbow	Fri. 21 inst. noon.
Straits, Bangkok, Calcutta & Aden	Foching	Fri. 21 inst. 2 p.m.
Philippine Is.	Yensang	Fri. 21 inst. 2 p.m.
Shanghai & N. China	Danera	Fri. 21 inst. 2 p.m.
Batavia, Samarang & Sourabaya	Samarang M.	Fri. 21 inst. 3 p.m.
Amoy	Tand	Fri. 21 inst. 5 p.m.
Haiphong	Haru M.	Sat. 22 inst. 10 a.m.
Shanghai, N. China, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via San Francisco	China	Tues. 22 inst. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Hinang	Sat. 22 inst. 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Keelung	Amakusa M.	Sun. 23 inst. 9 a.m.
Shanghai & N. China	Shantung	Sun. 23 inst. 9 a.m.

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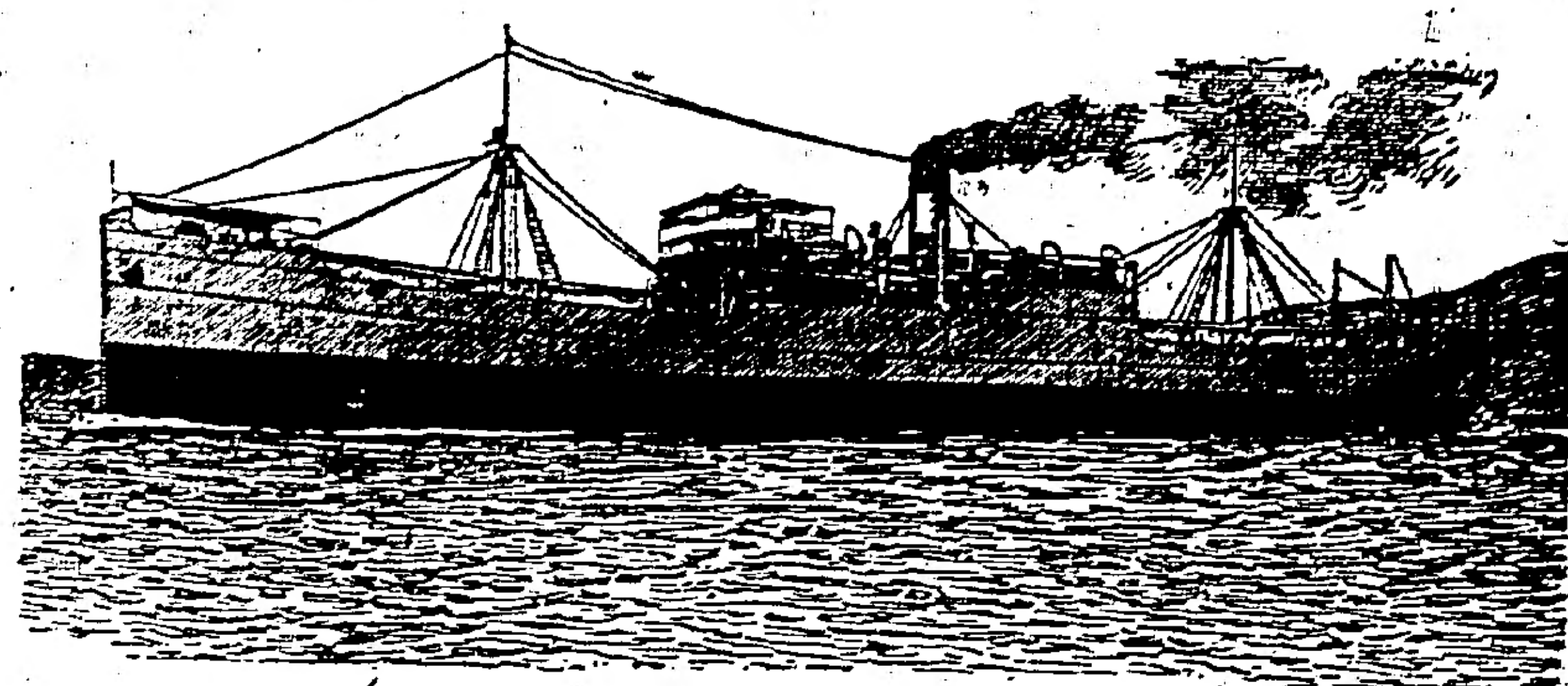
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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

JAPANESE BANK FAILS.

Vancouver, B. C. April 5.—The Nippon Kinryu Shi, a Japanese bank, closed its doors to-day. The bank's liabilities are \$240,000 and the assets \$225,000.

CHINESE CEMENT FACTORY.

A Chinese merchant named Liu Hung-shen is planning to erect a plant for the manufacture of cement at Lung-hwa. Machinery has already been ordered from Germany. Building will be commenced in April.

SINO-JAPANESE WIRELESS CONTRACT.

The Waichiaoou and the Japanese Legation are discussing a Japanese wireless contract. In 1914, the Ministry of the Navy concluded an agreement with the Japanese firm of Nishin Kisen Kaisha for construction of a wireless plant in Shuangshiao, near Tungchow. The price was fixed at \$336,000. Work was instituted in accordance with the terms of the contract in 1920, and while it is virtually completed, the Chinese authorities claim there has been a violation of contracted terms. They say that it was agreed that the wireless plant should include an electric apparatus that the Japanese overlooked, substituting therefor a steam plant. The result is, they say, that it is doubtful if the wireless plant can dispatch and receive message as intended. For this reason, the Waichiaoou demands that the contract be so modified that there shall be a reduction in price of \$200,000.

C. E. R. PROFITS.

The Kuo Wen News Agency reports that the profits of the Chinese Eastern Railway last year amounted to some \$2,000,000, which the managing director, Mr. Sung Shao-lien, proposes to divide among his "hard working" staff.

SHANGHAI U.S. TRADE GROWS.

Shanghai's trade with the United States for the quarter ending March 31, totalled \$10,124,573, as compared with \$8,600,117 for the same period in 1921, according to the report of the American consul-general at this port. The figures do not include gold bar shipments, which total less than last year. Gains are shown in crude camphor, walnuts, hair nets, wood oil, wool, silk, skins and furs. Goat skins show the greatest increase with approximately one million and a half dollars over last year. Raw silk shows a decline of more than a million and a half, while the gain in hair nets is more than 100 per cent. The general tone of China markets is improving, with business still retrenching. Chinese and foreign firms are both optimistic as regards the future. The banks are pursuing a conservative policy, thus lending strength to the general movement. Mushroom firms of all nationalities have practically been eliminated. German firms are becoming well entrenched, but are being hampered by exchange and production costs. Under the surface interest is growing in the possibilities of opening up trade with Siberian Russia soon.

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DUNERA	—	3rd May	S'pore, Colombo & Bombay
PLASSY	7,400	10th May	M's, London & Antwerp
DONGOLA	8,000	24th May	M's, London & Antwerp
SICILIA	6,700	6th June	S'pore, Colombo & Bombay

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TORILLA — 20 Apr. 1 p.m. C'cutta via S'pore & Penang

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DUNERA	6,000	21st Apr. 4 p.m.	Shanghai.
TANDA	6,956	21st Apr.	Amoy, Shanghai, Japan
NERBUDDA	7,911	23rd Apr.	"
DONGOLA	8,000	26th Apr.	Shanghai & Japan

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S.S. "GLENIFFER"	9th May.
"PEMBROKESHIRE"	23rd May.

HOMEWARDS.

Vessel.	Leaves Hongkong.	Discharges.
M.V. GLENOGLE	9th May.	GENOA, L'DON, A'WERP, H'BURG.
" GLENAPP	15th May.	GENOA, L'DON, H'DAM, H'BURG.
S.S. CARNARVONSHIRE	18th June.	L'DON, HULL, H'DAM, H'BURG.

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Tjitaroen	Java	in port	"	"
Tjimanoeck	Java	21st Apr.	23rd Apr.	Billiton
Tjiluwong	Japan, Amoy	29th Apr.	1st May.	Soerabaya

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Tjilatjap	Java, M'la	19th Apr.	20th Apr.	V'ver direct
Tjitaroen	Vancouver	30th Apr.	3rd May.	Java
Tjiluwong	San F'co.	26th Apr.	28th Apr.	Batavia

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HAKONE MARU ... Friday, 12th May at 11 a.m.

HAMBURG via DUNKIRK, LONDON & ROTTERDAM.

TOTTORI MARU ... First half of May.

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TOYOAKASHI MARU ... Sunday, 23rd April.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, &c.

NIKKO MARU ... Wednesday, 19th April at 11 a.m.

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KAWACHI MARU ... Beginning of June.

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YAMAGATA MARU ... Monday, 24th Apr.

CALCUTTA via Rangoon.

AKITA MARU ... Sunday, 23rd April.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

TANGO MARU ... Friday, 19th May at 11 a.m.

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SHANGHAI via Swatow Kwongsang	Fri. 21st Apr. at noon.	
MANILA	Fri. 21st Apr. at 3 p.m.	
STRAITS & Calcutta	Fri. 21st Apr. at 3 p.m.	
SANDAKAN	Sat. 22nd Apr. at noon.	
TIENSIN	Thurs. 27th Apr. at noon.	
BANGKOK via Swatow Mingsang	Tues. 3rd May at 10 a.m.	
STRAITS & Calcutta	Mon. 8th May at 3 p.m.	

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SHANGHAI	Sochow	21st " at noon.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Shantung	23rd " at 4 p.m.
PAKHAI & HAIPHONG	Kailong	24th " at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI	Szechuen	25th " at noon.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Kwangtung	25th " at noon.
SWATOW, SHAI & T'AO	Kanchow	26th " at noon.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	Linan	26th " at noon.
W'WEL, CHERGO & T'TSIN	Huichow	27th " at noon.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	Liangchow	27th " at noon.
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SHIPPING NEWS.**NEW PACIFIC RATE CONFERENCE.**
San Francisco, April 5.—The formation of a trans-Pacific passenger conference has been completed for the purpose of stabilizing rates. The conference includes the Union, Admiral, Oceanic, Blue Funnel, Matson, Canadian, Australian, Canadian Pacific, Java, Pacific Mail and China Mail.**NEW HARBOUR FOR TOKYO.**
The municipality of Tokyo has under consideration a plan, as a preliminary step to the construction of a harbour in Tokyo Bay, to repair the Bay of Tokyo and the Sumida River. The projected work will, it is expected, spread over five years at the cost of Yen 6,800,000. Immediately they obtain permission from the Ministry of Home Affairs, the work will be commenced, after the completion of which it is said steamers of 3,000 tons will be able to sail up near Yedai Bridge.**SAVING THE SHIPYARDS.**
A scheme has been privately submitted to the Government, having for its object the saving of the dockyard otherwise doomed by the Goddes' report. It is to modernise them, make them smaller, but bring them right up-to-date. It is conceded that perhaps this is not an auspicious financial moment to do that. But it is contended the dockyards could be kept in being until it could be done. Then it would pay," so writes a correspondent in the Journal of Commerce.**SHIP-TO-SHORE WIRELESS FEAT.**
A remarkable achievement in ship-to-shore wireless working is reported by the White Star liner Baltic. Every night throughout her last voyage from New York to Liverpool she was in direct communication with the United States wireless station at C'ham, Massachusetts. Messages were actually exchanged while the Baltic was anchored at Liverpool Bar, when over 3,000 miles separated the two stations, although the guaranteed range of the Marconi standard continuous wave panel with which the ship was fitted is only 1,200 miles for ship-to-shore working.**THE UPPER YANGTZE.**
The Tenka Yoko Steamship Co., a Japanese shipping company with offices in Shanghai, announced that their Ichang-Chungking line on the Yangtze would be opened during the first week of April. The Choten Maru and the Yukichi Maru, both vessels of 1,500 tons, are used in the service. After establishment of this service, it is the plan of the company to place additional steamers on the run. The Ichang, Hankow and Shanghai service which is being maintained by the same company will be increased by June by the addition of six new steamers. There are now three steamers in the service.**KIANGSU'S NEW CANAL.**
The Chinese Ministries of Finance and Interior are reported to have submitted a petition to the President asking that the Superintendent of the New Canal in Kiangsu be permitted to float a loan of \$1,800,000 for digging the canal. It is stated that the former plans and work are in such wretched conditions as to render their use impracticable. This loan is to be redeemed at the end of 25 years and will have as security the transportation tax of the new canal. The government is asked to supply \$600,000 to be paid over a period of five years. The two ministers are reported ready to furnish \$300,000 which was formerly agreed upon in order to give encouragement to the project.**ASIATICS ON BRITISH SHIPS.**
In the House of Commons, Mr. Mills asked the President of the Board of Trade whether he would state the number of Chinese, Asiatics and Africans sailing in British ships during the years 1920 and 1921, and the number of Chinese, Asiatics and Africans who were sailing in British ships trading to the United Kingdom, and who had been signed on abroad, giving each item separately. Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.—The numbers of Lascars and of foreigners other than Lascars employed in 1920 on vessels belonging to the United Kingdom were 50,273 and 15,440 respectively. Under the description "Lascars" are included Asiatics and East Africans, whether British subjects or foreigners, employed on vessels trading between India and this country, or entirely in Asiatic or Australian waters, and serving under agreements which terminate in Asia. It is regretted that details required for a full reply to the question are not available.

